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Preface

Hon. Ken Kowalski

Allow me to introduce you to Alberta's MLAs...

On March 12, 2001, a provincial general election sent 83 successful candidates to Alberta's Legislative Assembly. Together, these Members of Alberta's Legislative Assembly (MLAs) make up the 25th Legislature of this province. This book, ***Biographies of Members of Alberta's Legislative Assembly, 25th Legislature,*** offers a glimpse into their lives.

The March 12 election saw some changes in the Assembly. As a result we've welcomed some new Members and had to say good-bye to some old friends. The Progressive Conservative party won 61 per cent of the popular vote and gained 10 seats in the Legislative Assembly. The election marked the ninth consecutive victory for the Progressive Conservative party and its third under Premier Ralph Klein.

I hope you find this book as interesting as I did. Alberta's MLAs are as diverse as the constituents they represent and that is reflected here. I am honoured to be considered a part of this team and proud to call these parliamentarians my colleagues.

Ken Kowalski

Hon. Ken Kowalski
Speaker of the Legislative Assembly

The 25th Legislature (caucus information):

Progressive Conservative caucus (PC)	74 seats
Alberta Liberal caucus (LIB)	7 seats
New Democrat caucus (ND)	2 seats

Airdrie-Rocky View

Carol Haley (PC)

Carol Haley was elected to her third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Airdrie-Rocky View on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently re-appointed Government Caucus Whip. In addition to her role as MLA, she is Vice-Chair of the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services, the MLA liaison to the Alberta Film Commission, a member of the Agenda and Priorities Committee, and a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Agriculture and Municipal Affairs.

Before she was elected to the Legislative Assembly, Ms Haley owned and operated her own small business, Carol Haley Consulting Inc. Her firm regularly published a newsletter entitled *A Guide to Healthcare in Alberta*, and often acted as a meeting facilitator.

Ms Haley has extensive agricultural experience as the co-owner of two companies. She was co-owner of Westar Farms Ltd., a cattle operation, from 1974 to 1989 and co-owned Palliser Grain Co. Ltd. from 1980 to 1989.

Ms Haley has served as a board member of several health-related organizations: the Calgary General Hospital, the Alberta Healthcare Association, and the Canadian Hospital Association.

Athabasca-Wabasca

Hon. Mike Cardinal (PC)

Minister of Sustainable Resource Development

Mike Cardinal was elected to his fourth term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Athabasca-Wabasca on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed Alberta's Minister of Sustainable Resource Development. Mr. Cardinal also currently serves as a member of the Government Reorganization Secretariat and as a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Energy and Sustainable Development.

Since he was first elected to the Alberta Legislature in 1989, Mr. Cardinal has also served as Minister of Family and Social Services responsible for Aboriginal Affairs, Associate Minister of Forestry, and Minister of Resource Development.

Mr. Cardinal began his extensive career with the provincial government as a mortgage officer with the Alberta Housing Corporation. He moved to the Alberta Human Resources Development Authority, where he developed the Native housing/relocation program. He was regional supervisor of Employment and Counselling Services with Alberta Advanced Education and Manpower for ten years. He then spent three years as regional manager of Employment and Relocation Counselling Services before serving three years as senior consultant to the Assistant Deputy Minister. He also served as socio-economic consultant in the northeast region for Alberta Family and Social Services, piloting the welfare reforms.

Mr. Cardinal was a town councillor for Slave Lake, Alberta. He worked in the forestry/sawmill industry for over 10 years before beginning his public-sector career.

Mr. Cardinal has been actively involved in his community as the Chair or as a member of several boards and councils, including the Slave Lake and Athabasca Regional Economic Development Councils, Family and Community Support Services in Slave Lake, High Prairie, and Athabasca, and the Interprovincial Association of Native Employment.

Mr. Cardinal was born in northern Alberta in 1941.

Banff-Cochrane

Janis Tarchuk (PC)

Janis Tarchuk was elected to her second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Banff-Cochrane on March 12, 2001. In addition to her regular duties as MLA, she is Chair of the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, and a member of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, the Agenda and Priorities Committee, the Standing Policy Committee on Energy and Sustainable Development, the Capital Investment Planning Committee and the MLA Tourism Committee.

Born and raised in Guelph, Ontario, Mrs. Tarchuk attended the University of Guelph, where she received her Bachelor of Arts degree, majoring in Political Science.

She has been a resident of Banff for over 20 years. Her work experience in the Bow Valley includes financial planning and residential sales. She has also been involved in several areas of the local tourism industry.

Mrs. Tarchuk has been very active in community affairs for a number of years. Just prior to being elected MLA, she was the Chair of Headwaters Health Authority Board, a trustee with Canadian Rockies School Division, an executive member of Alberta School Boards Association, director of Jubilee Insurance and a member of the Alberta Educational Technology and Research Foundation's board of directors.

Her personal interests include reading, skiing, hiking, recreational running, baseball, and the many culural art opportunities to be found in the constituency.

Mrs. Tarchuk and her husband, Byron, live in Banff and have two grown children, Josh and Ashley.

Barrhead-Westlock

Hon. Ken Kowalski (PC)

Speaker of the Legislative Assembly

Ken Kowalski was elected to his seventh term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Barrhead-Westlock on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently re-elected Speaker of the 25th Legislature.

In his capacity as Speaker, Mr. Kowalski serves as Chair of the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services as well as President of the Alberta Branch of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA), President Regional Executive Committee, and has served on its Executive Committee.

Mr. Kowalski has held several cabinet positions since he was first elected in a 1979 by-election. He was Minister of the Environment; Minister of Public Safety Services; Minister of Public Works, Supply and Services; Minister of Career Development and Employment, and Minister of Economic Development and Tourism. He was Deputy Premier from 1992 to 1994 and has served as Government House Leader.

Mr. Kowalski was Alberta's Ministerial representative to the 1994 Canadian internal trade discussions and was one of 12 Canadian signatories to the environment and sustainable development documents that were ultimately endorsed by the United Nations Assembly. As well, he was Alberta's signatory to the volunteer exchange agreement between the Province of Alberta and Hokkaido, Japan.

Mr. Kowalski has been honoured several times while an MLA. In 1992 the Ukrainian Canadian Congress awarded him the Alberta Provincial Council Special Achievement Award; he was also awarded the Governor General's Commemorative Medal for the 125th Anniversary of Canadian Confederation in 1992. In 1993 the Alexis First Nation bestowed upon him the title Honourary Chief Wa-she-zu-Chada-oo-sheqe-na (White Man with a Kind Heart).

Kenneth Reginald Kowalski was born September 27, 1945, in Bonnyville, Alberta. He graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor's degree in History and a Master's degree in East Asian History.

Mr. Kowalski taught high school in Barrhead, Alberta, from 1969 to 1974. During these years he served as Secretary of the Alberta Provincial Kinsmen Association, received the National Award as editor of Canada's best Kinsmen Club Magazine, was a recipient of a Government of Alberta Achievement Award, and coached the National Reach for the Top High School Academic Championship Team from Barrhead.

In 1974 Mr. Kowalski joined the Government of Alberta as Executive Assistant to the Deputy Premier, Minister of Agriculture; from 1975 to 1977 he served as Executive Assistant to the Deputy Premier, Minister of Transportation; in 1977 he was appointed Chairman, Regional Transportation Services; and in 1979 was appointed Deputy Minister, Regional Transportation Services. He also served as Secretary of the Rural Development Cabinet Committee from 1974 to 1977. In October 1979 he resigned the position of Deputy Minister, Regional Transportation Services, to run for election as an MLA.

Mr. Kowalski has two children, Lori Anne and Michael Paul. He resides in Barrhead, Alberta.

Bonnyville-Cold Lake

Denis Ducharme (PC)

Denis Ducharme was elected to his second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Bonnyville-Cold Lake on March 12, 2001. In addition to his regular duties as MLA, he is Deputy Caucus Whip, Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices, a member of the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services and of the Standing Policy Committee on Justice and Government Services.

Premier Klein re-appointed Mr. Ducharme to serve as the Chair of the Francophone Secretariat and Co-Chair of the Alberta Energy Research Institute (AERI) in April 2001. In May 2001, the Gaming Minister appointed Mr. Ducharme to serve as a member of the Lottery Fund Review Committee.

Denis Archie Ducharme was born in Bonnyville on March 14, 1955. After graduating from high school, he joined Ducharme Motors Ltd., a family-owned Ford automotive dealership operating in Bonnyville since 1959. He was involved in all aspects of dealership management and held a business interest in the operation from 1981 to 1994.

In 1986 Mr. Ducharme was elected to the Lakeland Catholic School Board. During his two terms with the board he served as a trustee, Vice-Chair, and Chair.

Over the years Mr. Ducharme has been an active volunteer with numerous community, church, and youth groups. For the past 17 years he has chaired the Knights of Columbus Food Hamper Campaign.

Mr. Ducharme and his wife, Rose, live in Bonnyville and have two adult children.

Calgary-Bow

Alana DeLong (PC)

Alana DeLong was elected to her first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-Bow on March 12, 2001. In addition to her role as MLA, she is a member of Standing Committees on Law and Regulations and Public Accounts. She is also a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Economic Development and Finance.

Ms DeLong was born in Nelson, British Columbia, and obtained her Bachelor of Science degree from the University of British Columbia. She then moved to Calgary, where she attended courses at the University of Calgary in the Masters of Computer Science program.

Ms DeLong is married to Dennis Beck. Together they have two children, Samantha and James, who both attend university.

Ms DeLong has more than 20 years of experience in information technology and has worked for many leading high-tech computer firms in Calgary. She has held positions as president of Sterlingrock Systems Inc. and DeLong Beck Services Ltd.

Ms DeLong has always been an active member of her community. Some of her past contributions have been as President of Tuesday Nooners Toastmasters and as a singer with the Calgary Opera Chorus. She has campaigned extensively for the Red Cross Society, Cancer Fund, Heart and Stroke Fund, Flowers of Hope, and various national, municipal, and provincial elections. She is also an advocate for the preservation of Calgary's Paskapoo Slopes. She has hosted a TV ski program, and has been an actress with Theatre Calgary.

Ms DeLong has called the community of Bowness home for more than 20 years. She enjoys the outdoors and has hiked the province's mountains and canoed most of the rivers in southern Alberta.

Calgary-Buffalo

Harvey Cenaiko (PC)

Harvey Cenaiko was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-Buffalo on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of Standing Committees on Law and Regulations and Public Accounts and the Standing Policy Committee on Justice and Government Services. He is also Chair of the Ambulance Advisory and Appeal board, Chair of the MLA Review of Ambulance Service Delivery, and a member of the MLA Policing Review Committee.

Harvey James Cenaiko was born in Wakaw, Saskatchewan, on July 15, 1956. After graduating from high school in Wakaw, Mr. Cenaiko attended the University of Saskatchewan in Saskatoon, then moved west to Calgary, where he began training with the Calgary Police Service.

As a 23-year veteran of the Calgary Police Service, Mr. Cenaiko spent 15 years walking the beat and working in Calgary-Buffalo. Most recently, Mr. Cenaiko served as an Inspector with the Bureau of Community Policing Services. During his distinguished career, Mr. Cenaiko held positions within the Office of the Chief, Public Affairs/Media Relations, Community Policing Support Section, Community and Youth Section, Criminal Investigation Division, and the Field Operations Division. Mr. Cenaiko's work with the Calgary Police Service has been recognized with a Chief's Commendation award and an Exemplary Service award from the Government of Canada.

Mr. Cenaiko is an active member of the Calgary-Buffalo community. His past and present community work includes serving as a founding member of the Calgary Regional Health Authority (CRHA), as Vice-President of the Alberta Community Crime Prevention Association, and as Chair of the Seniors Police Advisory Committee.

Mr. Cenaiko lives in Calgary with his wife, Sherry, and their two sons: Jason, 18, and Justin, 16.

Calgary-Cross

Yvonne Fritz (PC)

Yvonne Fritz was elected to her third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-Cross on March 12, 2001. In addition to her role as MLA, she is the Cabinet caucus liaison for Southern Alberta as well as a member of Standing Committees on Legislative Offices and Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, the Agenda and Priorities Committee, and the Standing Policy Committee on Learning and Employment.

Since she was first elected in 1993, Mrs. Fritz served as Chair of the Human Rights, Citizenship and Multiculturalism Education Fund Advisory Committee and the Alberta Breast Cancer Screening Policy Council. She has been a member of Standing Policy Committees on health planning, health restructuring and community services and a member of Standing Committees on Legislative Offices and Private Bills.

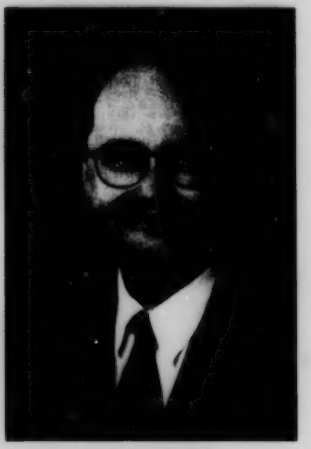
Prior to entering provincial politics, Mrs. Fritz served as City of Calgary Alderman for Ward 5, the largest civic riding in Canada. During her tenure as Alderman, Mrs. Fritz had opportunity to work on the Mayor's Task Force on Community and Family Violence.

Always an advocate for women's health issues, as Chair of the Alberta Breast Cancer Screening Policy Council, Mrs. Fritz encouraged a holistic women-centered approach to breast cancer screening.

Mrs. Fritz graduated from Calgary General Hospital's School of Nursing in 1972 and then worked as a registered nurse at the Calgary General Hospital for 16 years. She has served as a board member of numerous professional associations, including the Calgary Board of Health, Carewest, and the Calgary District Hospital Group.

Mrs. Fritz and her husband, Lanny, are longtime residents of the Pineridge community in Calgary. They have two children, Holly and Matthew.

Calgary-Currie



Jon Lord (PC)

Jon Lord was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-Currie on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Energy and Sustainable Development, and standing committees on Private Bills, Privileges and Elections, and Standing Orders and Printing. He is chair of both the Alberta Special Places and New School Construction and Operating Cost committees and a member of the Recreational Corridor Review Committee.

Prior to his election as an MLA, Mr. Lord served two terms as a Calgary city alderman, representing the inner-city district of Ward 8. Among his many other volunteer activities, Mr. Lord was the founding chairman of both the Marda Loop Business Revitalization Zone and the Federation of Business Revitalization Zones.

Mr. Lord was born in Calgary on December 29, 1956, but grew up on an original Alberta homestead near Pigeon Lake. He studied business administration and commerce at the University of Alberta, where he achieved first-class standing over three years.

A self-employed small business entrepreneur since he was 18, Mr. Lord started Casablanca Video, a video rental business, in Calgary 18 years ago. The business has received two Calgary awards: the *Calgary Herald* Reader's Choice award for the Best Independent Video Store and *Fast Forward* magazine's Best Video Store.

In addition to his small business experience, Mr. Lord also had a successful career as a financial consultant for Wood Gundy and James Capel Canada (now Hong Kong Securities).

Mr. Lord has been a frequent guest columnist of both the *Calgary Herald* and the *Calgary Sun*. He has contributed articles to a number of small business magazines, including *Profit* magazine. He has been published in *Canadian Speeches* magazine and has received national media attention on a number of different issues.

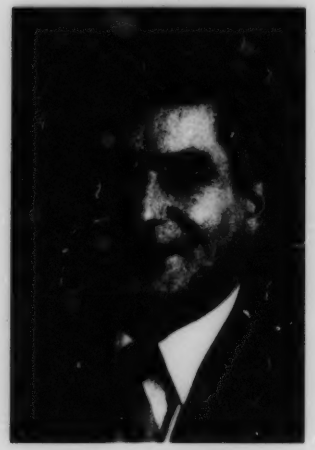
Mr. Lord has received numerous awards, including as the Pascal Conn award (the highest award of the Progressive Group for Independent Business), and Wood Gundy's President's Council award.

An active member of his community, Mr. Lord has been involved with several charity, small business, and community groups. As a founding director of Bar-B-Que on the Bow, Mr. Lord won the Provincial Championship's professional division prize for barbeque ribs one year. He has also belonged to organizations including Toastmasters, Mensa, and the Calgary Council for Advanced Technology.

Mr. Lord was also a founding member and former chairman of the World Job and Food Bank, a worldwide charity organization, which since 1985 has completed over 50 job-creation projects in 13 third world countries, made and delivered over 1 million brown bag lunches to street kids in downtown Calgary, and helped create hundreds of food banks worldwide, including the first one in Moscow.

Mr. Lord is happily married to Patty and is raising a family of four girls, now ranging from 15 to 22 years of age.

Calgary-East



Moe Amery (PC)

Moe Amery was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-East on March 12, 2001. He currently serves as a member of the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing and the Standing Policy Committee on Energy and Sustainable Development. Mr. Amery was a member of the MLA committee to review low-income programs last summer.

Since he was first elected in 1993, Mr. Amery has served as a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs and several legislative Standing Committees. He was Chair of the Environmental Protection Advisory Committee and the MLA representative on the City of Calgary's World Fair 2005 bid.

Mr. Amery was born in Lebanon on September 20, 1954, and relocated to Canada in 1973. He was a student of the University of Alberta's General Studies Faculty between 1975 and 1977, before completing real estate and appraisal courses at the University of Calgary. He enjoyed a successful real estate career in Calgary for almost 15 years.

Mr. Amery has been involved with many community organizations including the Calgary Business and Industrial Association, the Calgary East Jaycees, and the Calgary East Rotary Club.

Together Mr. Amery and wife, Mary, have four children: Mickey, Lila, Leena, and Laura. The Amery family lives in Southview, a neighbourhood in the Calgary-East constituency.

Calgary-Egmont

Denis Herard (PC)

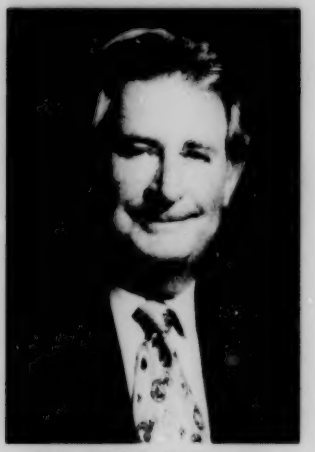
Denis Herard was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-Egmont on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, Mr. Herard serves as Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on Law and Regulations and as Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Learning and Employment.

Mr. Herard was born in Edmonton and completed a bilingual education at St. John's College. Prior to becoming an MLA, Mr. Herard operated a telecommunications and computer software business in Calgary.

He has played an active role in Calgary's volunteer community, both as a founding member, author, and advisor of the telecommunications management certificate program at Mount Royal College and as Co-Chair of the 1988 Winter Olympics Telecommunications Volunteer Committee. He is an honorary lifetime member of the Alberta Association of Architects and the Willowridge Community Association.

Mr. Herard and his wife, Rose, live in Calgary and have two sons, David and Christopher.

Calgary-Elbow



Hon. Ralph Klein (PC)

Premier of Alberta

Ralph Klein was elected leader of the Progressive Conservative (PC) party on December 5, 1992, and was sworn in as Alberta's 12th Premier on December 16 of that year. Several months later, Albertans gave his party a resounding victory in the June 1993 provincial general election. In March 1997, Albertans returned Mr. Klein and his government to office for a second term with an increased majority.

That majority became even larger in March 2001, when the PC party, led by Premier Klein, won 74 of the 83 seats in the Legislature. This is the second-largest majority government in the almost 100-year history of Alberta.

Ralph Philip Klein was born in Calgary November 1, 1942. Educated in Calgary, he interrupted his high school studies to enlist in the Canadian Air Force. Upon leaving the service, Mr. Klein completed his high school education, eventually becoming principal of the Calgary Business College.

From 1963 to 1969 Mr. Klein pursued a public relations career with the Alberta Division of the Red Cross and the United Way of Calgary and District. For the next 11 years, he was the Senior Civic Affairs reporter with CFCN Television and Radio.

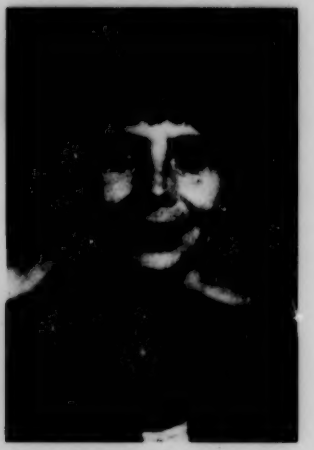
On October 15, 1980, Ralph Klein was elected Calgary's 32nd Mayor, one of only two mayors born in the city. He was re-elected in 1983 and 1986. Mr. Klein's major accomplishments include the 1988 Olympic Winter Games, Calgary's Light Rail Transit System, and protection of the Bow River.

Ralph Klein was elected MLA for Calgary-Elbow March 20, 1989, and on April 14, 1989, was appointed Minister of Environment. In that portfolio, Mr. Klein oversaw the development of the Alberta Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act, acknowledged as one of the most progressive environmental laws in Canada.

Over the years, Mr. Klein has received a number of honours and awards including the Order of St. John in 1986. In 1988 he received the Alberta Achievement Award, the Lion's Club Medal of Distinction for Service to Humanity, and was inducted into the Olympic Order. In 1989 he was selected as Calgarian of the Decade by the *Calgary Herald*. In 1992 he received a Governor General's Award and in 1993 he became the second white person in history to be adopted into the Siksika (Blackfoot) Nation and was given the name Otskoipiiksi (Bluebird). In 1994 Premier Klein was named Man of the Year by the International Young Entrepreneurs Organization over Boris Yeltsin, also nominated that year; was awarded the Colin M. Brown Freedom Medal by the National Citizens' Coalition; and was named B'nai B'rith's Citizen of the Year. In 1995 he was named Calgary's Outstanding Citizen of the Century and the first recipient of the Fraser Institute's International Fiscal Performance Award. In 1996 the Blood Tribe made Ralph Klein an honourary chief in the Kainai Chieftainship. In 1998 Premier Klein was distinguished with an Honourary Bachelor of Applied Technology degree from the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology (SAIT). In June 2000, the Premier became an honourary degree recipient at Olds College, receiving the Agriculture Technology and Entrepreneurship Applied degree.

Mr. Klein lives in southwest Calgary with his wife, Colleen.

Calgary-Fish Creek



Hon. Heather Forsyth (PC)

Solicitor General

Heather Forsyth was first elected MLA for Calgary-Fish Creek in 1993, and was re-elected on March 11, 1997, and again on March 12, 2001. On March 16, 2001, she was appointed Alberta's Solicitor General.

Mrs. Forsyth has dedicated most of her life to community service, especially for children and youth. She is best known for her work as Chair of the Task Force on the Young Offenders Act and the Working Group on Children Involved in Prostitution. Before entering provincial politics Mrs. Forsyth volunteered with community groups like the Children's Wish Foundation, the provincial Youth Justice Committee, the Alberta Social Services Appeal Advisory Board, and the Calgary Board of Health.

Prior to her appointment as Solicitor General, Mrs. Forsyth was Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Health Planning and a member of Treasury Board. She was Chair of the Advisory Committee on Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation, and Chair of the Phase II Working Group on Children Involved in Prostitution. She was also a member of the Premier's Task Force on Children at Risk. Mrs. Forsyth also served on the Alberta Policing MLA Review Committee, and Standing Committees on Public Accounts and Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing.

Mrs. Forsyth is past Chair of the Council on Professions and Occupations, the Provincial Mental Health MLA Task Force, the Juvenile Prostitution Task Force, the Health Professions Act Implementation Steering Committee, and the Transmission of HIV and Other Blood Borne Infectious Diseases in Health Care Settings Committee.

Mrs. Forsyth worked in advertising for 15 years as a sales and marketing manager prior to becoming an MLA. She received the Silver Marketing Award and the 1989 President's Award and served as President of Alberta Specialty Advertising Association.

As well as being involved in her church and community, Mrs. Forsyth is a qualified figure skating and power skating instructor, and enjoys playing baseball and golf. A native of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Mrs. Forsyth lives in the Calgary community of Parkland with her husband, Gordon. They have two sons.

Calgary-Foothills

Hon. Pat Nelson (PC)

Minister of Finance

Patricia Nelson was elected to her fourth term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-Foothills on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed Minister of Finance and chair of Treasury Board. She also serves as a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Economic Development and Finance, as well as the Agenda and Priorities committee.

Since her election to the Alberta Legislature in 1989, Mrs. Nelson has served as Minister of Energy, Minister of Economic Development and Tourism, Minister of Government Services, and Deputy Government House Leader.

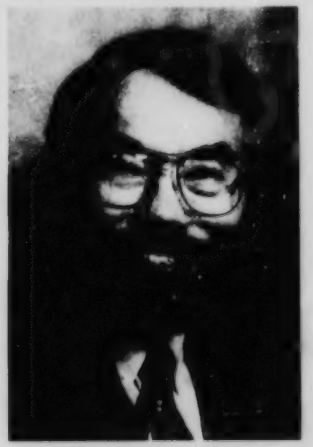
Mrs. Nelson was born and raised in Calgary. She graduated from the University of Calgary with a Bachelor of Commerce degree.

Mrs. Nelson has 15 years of experience in the oil and gas industry. She previously was controller of Sabre Energy Ltd. and Petroterra Natural Resources Ltd. and the manager of financial control with Suncor Inc.

Mrs. Nelson has been active in community and business groups, including the United Way, Cancer Crusade Fund, Red Shield Appeal, and the Petroleum Accounting Society of Canada. She is a former member of the board of the Business Development Bank and former chair of the bank's regional advisory group.

Mrs. Nelson is married to former Calgary MLA Stan Nelson. The couple make their home in Calgary with Mrs. Nelson's son, Troy.

Calgary-Fort



Wayne Cao (PC)

Wayne Cao was elected to his second term as MLA for Calgary-Fort on March 12, 2001. He is currently a member of the Standing Committees on Public Accounts, Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, and the Standing Policy Committee on Learning and Employment.

Mr. Cao has lived, worked, and travelled extensively in many parts of the world: South East Asia, Western Europe, Australia, Mexico, the USA, and Canada.

Mr. Cao received training in engineering, computing technology, and business management at various corporations and institutions, such as the universities of Auckland, Saigon, and Waterloo. He is a certified information technology professional holding ISP designation from the Canadian Information Processing Society.

Mr. Cao worked for the Shell petroleum company for 25 years in many specialist and management roles, before retiring in 1997 after winning his first election. He taught evening courses for the Association of Engineers of Saigon-Vietnam and the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology.

Mr. Cao is a past director of Kimson Consulting Services and Canadasia Management Consulting, a past Chair of the Data Warehouse Technology Special Interest Group of the Canadian Information Processing Professional Society, and a past member of the Data Processing Management Association of America.

Mr. Cao has participated in various society and charity organizations, including the Canadian Club of Canada, the United Nations Association, Habitat for Humanity, the New View Global Foundation, For the Love of Children, and the Calgary Minor Soccer Association.

Mr. Cao also has worked with Calgary community TV and has spent time advising cultural events. He was a volunteer/session leader with the Junior Achievement stay-in-school programs; judge for high school debates, science and heritage fairs; a volunteer/contributor with Meals-for-Homeless and In-from-the-Cold, and a participant and fund-raiser for various charity events.

Mr. Cao's contributions to the community have been recognized through awards from For the Love of Children, Friends of Elliston Park, and Honorary Membership of the Ogden Senior Association.

Mr. Cao enjoys playing racket sports, downhill skiing, fishing, playing music and singing, history reading, language learning, and martial arts practice.

Mr. Cao has established his home in Calgary for the last 25 years with his wife, Kim Hoang, an engineer and banking professional, and their three sons: William, Winston, and Ulysses.

Calgary-Glenmore

Hon. Ron Stevens, Q.C. (PC)

Minister of Gaming

Ron Stevens was elected to his second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-Glenmore on March 12, 2001. On March 15, 2001, Mr. Stevens was appointed Minister of Gaming responsible for the Alberta Gaming and Liquor Commission, which includes the Alberta Lottery Fund and the Community Lottery Board Grant Program. He is also Deputy Government House Leader and sits as Vice-Chair on the Standing Policy Committee on Justice and Government Services.

Ron Stevens was born in Empress, Alberta, in 1949. He obtained his post secondary education in Alberta: a Bachelor of Arts (Political Science) from the University of Calgary in 1971 and a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Alberta in 1975.

Prior to his becoming an MLA, Mr. Stevens practiced civil litigation law and acted as a mediator with a major Calgary law firm. He was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1996. Mr. Stevens was also very active in community affairs and served as President of the Palliser Bayview Pumphill Community Association, Director of the Federation of Calgary Communities, Director and Vice Chairman of the Calgary Housing Authority, and Director of Community Mediation Calgary Society.

Mr. Stevens and his wife, Phyllis, have two children. The Stevens family has lived in Calgary-Glenmore for over 20 years.

Calgary-Lougheed

Marlene Graham, Q.C. (PC)

Marlene Graham was elected to her second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-Lougheed on March 12, 2001. In addition to her role as an MLA, she is Chair of the Standing Committee on Private Bills and a member of the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices and Standing Policy Committee on Economic Development and Finance. Ms Graham is also Chair of the Alberta Research Council and Co-Chair of the Alberta Science and Research Authority.

After completing a year of Bachelor of Arts studies at Red Deer College, Ms Graham attended the University of Alberta, where she received a Bachelor of Laws in 1976.

During her 21 years of practicing law in the province, Ms Graham gained an understanding of the administration of justice from several perspectives. She served as Crown Counsel for the Attorney General of Alberta, Judicial District of Red Deer for six years before moving to a family law practice with the south Calgary firm of McConnell MacInnes Graham.

Until her election, Ms Graham was an ad-hoc sitting Justice of the Peace in the Judicial District of Calgary, an appointment she has held since 1991.

Ms Graham served as chair of the Calgary Women Lawyers' Association and has maintained memberships in legal professional organizations including the Alberta Crown Attorneys Association, the Calgary Bar Association, and various sections of the Alberta branch of the Canadian Bar Association, and the Legal Archives Society of Alberta.

Her recent community involvement includes serving as President of the Woodlands on the Park Condominium Corporation.

Ms Graham lives in the community of Woodlands, bordering on Fish Creek Provincial Park. She enjoys curling, golf, running, and reading.

Calgary-McCall

Shiraz Shariff (PC)

Deputy Chairman of Committees

Shiraz Shariff was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-McCall on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed Deputy Chairman of Committees. He currently serves as Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and is a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Health and Community Living.

Shiraz Shariff was born in Moshi, Tanzania, on March 1, 1954, and emigrated to Canada in 1976. Mr. Shariff graduated from the University of Calgary with a bachelor's degree in Social Work and a Master's of Social Work degree.

Prior to assuming office as an MLA, Mr. Shariff worked as a Child Welfare Worker for Alberta Family and Social Services. He also taught in Mount Royal College's Department of Social Services.

A believer in community services, Mr. Shariff has served in various voluntary capacities with Federation of Calgary Communities, Alberta Multiculturalism Advisory Council, UNICEF, Calgary Multicultural Centre, Partners in Citizenship, University of Calgary, Mount Royal College, and Alberta Vocational College.

Mr. Shariff and his wife, Mina, live in Calgary-McCall with their two children.

Calgary-Montrose

Hung Pham (PC)

Hung Pham was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-Montrose on March 12, 2001. In addition to his duties as MLA, Hung Pham is Chair of the Human Rights, Citizenship and Multiculturalism Education Fund Advisory Committee, Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on Public Affairs, and a member of the Standing Committee on Private Bills and of the Standing Policy Committee on Justice and Government Services.

Hung Kim Pham was born on October 2, 1963. He completed his high school education in 1982 and subsequently took the computer science university transfer program at Mount Royal College, where he was the recipient of numerous awards and scholarships for his outstanding academic performance. Mr. Pham transferred to the University of Calgary in 1984 and received his Bachelor of Science degree with distinction in Computer Science and Mathematics in 1986.

He went on to take the Master's program in Computer Science at the University of Calgary, specializing in Artificial Intelligence.

He was a prominent analyst with Canalta Data Services in 1988 and 1989. In September 1989 he began working at the City of Calgary as a Database Technical Analyst and was promoted to Senior Programmer Analyst in 1991.

Hung Pham is very active in the community, and is well known for his volunteer work with many non-profit organizations and government agencies. He helped the Calgary Police Service with its multicultural and crime prevention programs, and in 1990 was elected President of the Calgary Vietnamese Canadian Association.

Hung Pham has lived in Calgary since 1980.

Calgary-Mountain View

Mark Hlady (PC)

Mark Hlady was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-Mountain View on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he serves as Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Energy and Sustainable Development and as a member of the Standing Committees on Legislative Offices and Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing.

Mr. Hlady has served as the government representative on the boards of the Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks and Wildlife Foundation and the Alberta Land Surveyors Association. In addition, he has also been the Caucus Liaison for the PC Youth and the trustee for the Forum for Young Albertans.

Mr. Hlady is actively involved in the community, working with groups such as the Calgary Stampede Board, the Goodwill Games 2005, World Police/Fire Games 1997, and the University of Calgary Athletic Advisory Board.

Mr. Hlady graduated from the University of Calgary with a Bachelor of Physical Education. While attending university, Mr. Hlady coached numerous swimming teams, founded and coached the University of Calgary Triathlon Club, and worked with provincial, national, and international triathlon associations in various positions.

From 1991 to 1993 Mr. Hlady worked as a financial advisor with Levesque Securities in Calgary.

Mr. Hlady is married to Elaine, and they have a son, Harrison.

Calgary-North Hill

Richard Magnus (PC)

Richard Magnus was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-North Hill on March 12, 2001. In addition to his regular duties as MLA, he is Chair of the Calgary Caucus, Chair of the Regulatory Review Secretariat, Chair of the Unity Office, Vice-Chair of the Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, a member of the Standing Committee on Private Bills, and a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Agriculture and Municipal Affairs.

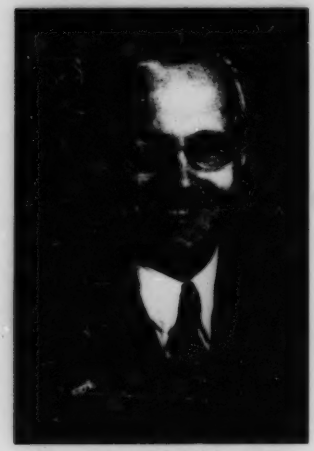
Before his election to Alberta's Legislature, Mr. Magnus served as City of Calgary Alderman for Ward 4. During his tenure as Alderman, Richard served on an average of 17 committees. This included chairing the Standing Policy Committee on Finance and Budget and the Standing Policy Committee on Transportation, Transit and Parking.

Richard Charles Magnus was born in Goose Bay, Labrador, on July 31, 1950. He graduated from Old Strathcona High School in Edmonton and is a licensed pilot. Mr. Magnus was an air traffic controller for over 20 years. He has resided in Calgary for the past 20 years. In addition, Mr. Magnus was a businessman in Edmonton as owner/manager of Melody Lane Records until 1978 and was a past owner of menswear and health club businesses for many years.

An active and concerned community participant, Mr. Magnus has served on the Cambrian Heights board of directors. He also coached children in soccer and springboard diving.

Mr. Magnus and his wife, Jena, live in Calgary with their three children: Rees, Natalie, and Casey.

Calgary-North West



Hon. Greg Melchin (PC)

Minister of Revenue

Greg Melchin was elected MLA for Calgary-North West on March 11, 1997, and re-elected on March 12, 2001.

The Honourable Greg Melchin was sworn in as Minister of Revenue on March 19, 2001, and currently serves as Vice-Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Economic Development and Finance.

Greg Melchin was born in Raymond, Alberta, on December 14, 1953, but has made northwest Calgary his home. He was a student of Calgary's James Fowler High School before graduating from Brigham Young University in 1977 with a Bachelor of Science Degree.

Mr. Melchin brings over 20 years of business and community experience to the Legislative Assembly. He articled for Peat Marwick Mitchell & Co. Chartered Accountants (Calgary) before receiving his designation as Chartered Accountant. His training and interest in business led to a subsequent career in financial and business administration.

Mr. Melchin was Vice-President of Finance for Torode Realty Ltd., a national commercial real estate agency and property management company from 1989 to 1996; Chief Financial Officer for Adcorp Enterprises Ltd., offering video advertising to major companies and advertising agencies throughout Canada and the United States from 1985 to 1988; the Branch Controller for Bennett & White Western Ltd., a commercial general contractor and developer throughout Western Canada from 1980 to 1984; and a partner in a small Alberta oil and gas company from 1996 to 1997.

He has volunteered to many youth organizations, serving for over 15 years as a Scout leader and committee chairman with Boy Scouts of Canada, coaching basketball and assisting in softball and leadership training programs. Mr. Melchin has also volunteered many years of service in the community as a Bishop and leader with the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Greg and his wife, Helen, have five children: Rachelle, Jenny, Ross, Brad, and Karla.

Calgary-Nose Creek

Hon. Gary Mar, Q.C. (PC)
Minister of Health and Wellness

Gary Mar was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-Nose Creek on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently re-appointed Minister of Health and Wellness. He is currently a member of the Agenda and Priorities Committee and the Standing Policy Committee on Health and Community Living.

Since he was first elected to the Alberta Legislature in 1993, Mr. Mar has served as Minister of Community Development, Minister of Education, and Minister of Environment. As Minister of Community Development, Mr. Mar implemented the Alberta Seniors' Benefit, which directs government funding to senior citizens with financial need.

As Minister of Education, he introduced *First Things First...Our Children*, an initiative that focused on schoolchildren of all ages. It made a commitment to ensure young children can read well by grade three. It also focused on high standards for junior and senior high school students, keeping students in school and making sure they have the skills they need when they graduate.

As Minister of Environment, Mr. Mar served as Co-Chair of Climate Change Central, the public/private partnership formed in response to the international agreement on climate change. He also took action because of the public interest and formed a new provincial park in the Spray Valley to protect this mountainous part of Kananaskis Country.

Gary G. Mar was born in Calgary on July 26, 1962. He obtained his Bachelor of Commerce (Finance) Degree at the University of Calgary in 1984 and his Bachelor of Laws degree at the University of Alberta in 1987.

From 1987 to 1990, Mr. Mar practised civil and criminal law with MacKimmie Matthews, Barristers and Solicitors, Calgary. Between 1990 and 1992, he practised corporate, commercial, and real estate law with Code Hunter, Barristers and Solicitors, Calgary. Mr. Mar subsequently operated his own general law practice in Calgary and contributed to the Annotated Rules of Court. Mr. Mar was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1994.

Mr. Mar is an active member of the Chinese community in Calgary. He served as director of the Sein Lok Society from 1987 to 1993, and as Vice-President of the Chinatown Development Foundation from 1990 to 1993. The Sein Lok Society is a trustee of Sein Lok Park and a promoter of Chinese culture, while the Chinatown Development Foundation operates an 88-unit low-income housing facility. He has served as a volunteer with Calgary Legal Guidance, which provides legal services to low-income persons.

Mr. Mar lives in Calgary with his wife, Nancy, and their two children, Lauren and Jared.

Calgary-Shaw

Cindy Ady (PC)

Cindy Ady was elected to her first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-Shaw on March 12, 2001. In addition to her role as MLA, she is Chair of the Social Care Facilities Review Committee, a member of Standing Committees on Law and Regulations and Public Accounts, and of the Standing Policy Committee on Learning and Employment.

Mrs. Ady was born in San Antonio, Texas, and is the daughter-in-law of former MLA for Cardston-Taber-Warner, Jack Ady. She studied communications at Utah's Brigham Young University between 1975 and 1979.

Before she was elected as an MLA, Mrs. Ady was a self-employed community development consultant. In that role, she focused primarily on the development of funding proposals and business plans for new schools in Calgary. Mrs. Ady once owned and operated a custom home construction company and worked as manager of the archive and manuscript department at her alma mater, Brigham Young University.

As a resident of Calgary-Shaw, Mrs. Ady has been a prominent community advocate and volunteer. She has been involved in a number of education initiatives with the Calgary Board of Education, including the new south high school innovation project, the Learning Environment Action Planning Group (LEAP), a ministerial review of the Calgary Board of Education, the Midsun Junior High committee, and the Accommodation Task Force of the Calgary Board of Education.

Mrs. Ady has also served as a member of the Shaw Constituency Education Committee, the Mid-Sun Community Association, and was Chair of the Midnapore Parent Council.

Mrs. Ady was awarded first place honours at the Collegiate National Speech Competition in Washington, D.C., in both 1996 and 1997.

Mrs. Ady and her husband, Donald, live in Calgary-Shaw with their four sons: Justin, Jeffrey, Scott, and Brent.

Calgary-Varsity

Hon. Murray Smith (PC)

Minister of Energy

Murray Smith was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary-Varsity on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed Alberta's Minister of Energy. He is currently a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Energy and Sustainable Development.

Prior to his appointment as Minister of Energy, Mr. Smith was Minister of Economic Development from 1994 to 1996, Minister of Labour from 1996 to 1999, and Minister of Gaming from 1999 to 2001.

Before he was first elected to the Alberta Legislature in June 1993, Mr. Smith was an independent businessman focused on marketing and domestic and international financial management. He has an extensive background in business operations and ownership. His private-sector experience includes ownership and co-ownership of a number of Alberta companies in both the energy and retail sectors.

Mr. Smith has been active in a number of community organizations including the Varsity Community Association, the TUXIS Model Parliament of Alberta, and the Athol Murray College of Notre Dame Alberta Alumni. He is also a former MLA director of the Calgary Stampede Board.

Mr. Smith is a recipient of the TUXIS "Doug Beechey" Award for "willingly and cheerfully doing more than that which is our duty to do." He also received the University of Calgary Venture Development "Janet Koper" Award for "Friend to Venture Development and Small Business Creation in Alberta."

Mr. Smith was born and raised in Red Deer, Alberta.

Calgary-West

Karen Kryczka (PC)

Karen Kryczka was elected to her second term as MLA for Calgary-West on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed Chair of the Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta and as a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Health and Community Living.

Karen Pearce-Giebelhaus was born in Edmonton on November 24, 1940. She graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor of Psychology degree.

After her marriage to Adam Kryczka in 1959, Ms Kryczka moved to Calgary, where she completed a Bachelor of Education degree in Social Studies at the University of Calgary. Between 1960 and 1979, Ms Kryczka raised her children, Kelly and Mike, completed a graduate diploma in Educational Psychology, and worked as a guidance counsellor for the Calgary Board of Education. Her experience included working with students at Currie, A.E. Cross, and Ernest Morrow Junior High Schools and Bowness Senior High School.

Between 1983 and 1986 Ms Kryczka was the manager of the Delta Bow Valley Hotel Dining Room and from 1986 to 1993 was Personnel Manager for Bennett Jones Barristers & Solicitors. Following 1993, she was a contract corporate fundraiser for the United Way of Calgary and Area, a consultant for job transition and career search programs and in 1995 placed a close second as an aldermanic candidate in the City of Calgary civic election.

Over the years Ms Kryczka has been very active in community projects. Most recently she was a Senator for the University of Calgary Senate, where over a four-year period she served as Chair of the Annual Senate Seminar, Chair of the Public Communications Committee, Vice-Chair of the Strategy Committee, and member of the Program Committee. For many years Ms Kryczka was also a member of the Stephen Avenue Mall (Civic) Board and is a longtime member of the reception committee of the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede.

An avid supporter of amateur sport, Ms Kryczka was a member of the Team Atlanta Gala Committee (recognizing the 1996 Canadian Olympic Synchronized Swimming Team), President of the Calgary Aquabelles' Synchronized Swimming Club, Vice-President of Administration of the Alberta Synchronized Swimming Association, a Director of Sport Alberta and a member of the Alberta Sport Hall of Fame and Museum Committee. She has also been President of the University of Alberta Alumni Association (Calgary Branch), a Director of The Glencoe Club and The Glencoe Golf and Country Club, and a member of the Mount Royal College Secretarial Arts Advisory Committee.

Ms Kryczka was a member of the Alberta Teachers' Association, the Human Resources Association of Calgary, the Calgary Legal Administrators Association, and the Human Resources Institute of Alberta, with certified designation.

Ms Kryczka lives in Calgary-West with her second husband, Gord May. She enjoys family time, especially with their eight grandchildren.

Cardston-Taber-Warner

Broyce Jacobs (PC)

Broyce Jacobs was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Cardston-Taber-Warner on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of Standing Committees on Private Bills and Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing as well as the Standing Policy Committee on Justice and Government Services. He is also a member of Alberta Human Resource & Employment's committee to review low-income payment plans.

Before his MLA career, Mr. Jacobs served 18 years as a municipal councillor and 17 years as Reeve for the Municipal District of Cardston. For four years he was Director of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties and President of the Foothills-Little Bow Association, representing the 11 municipal districts and counties of southern Alberta.

Mr. Jacobs was born July 29, 1940, in Cardston, Alberta. He graduated from Brigham Young University in 1967 with a bachelor's degree in Business Management. He concentrated his business studies on banking and finance, economics and accounting.

Mr. Jacobs owns and operates a successful cattle ranch. In the 1960s and '70s he taught farm management courses. Mr. Jacobs was a Bishop with the Church of Latter-day Saints for seven years.

Mr. Jacobs and his wife, Linda, live in Mountain View, Alberta. They are the parents of eight grown children, four sons and four daughters, and 13 grandchildren.

Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan

Rob Lougheed (PC)

Rob Lougheed was elected to his second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan on March 12, 2001. In addition to his regular duties as MLA, Mr. Lougheed is currently serving as a member of Standing Committees on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing and the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund as well as the Standing Policy Committee on Learning and Employment.

Mr. Lougheed was born in Grande Prairie in 1947. He attended the University of Alberta, earning bachelor's degrees in Education and Science as well as a diploma in Education Administration. He was a member of the U of A Golden Bears basketball team from 1965 to 1967.

Mr. Lougheed worked as an educator for approximately 28 years. He began his career at Ardrossan Junior-Senior High School, teaching math and science and coaching basketball for nine years before moving to Salisbury Composite High School in Sherwood Park. During his years at Salisbury, Mr. Lougheed introduced the International Baccalaureate (IB) physics program and eventually assumed the duties of Assistant Principal. In 1990 he became Assistant Principal at Bev Facey Community High School in Sherwood Park.

During his teaching career, Mr. Lougheed also held a number of positions as a member of the Alberta Teachers' Association, including Chair of the Economic Policy Committee and Chair of the Negotiating Subcommittee for Strathcona County teachers.

Mr. Lougheed and his wife, Sharon, moved to Strathcona County in 1976, making their home and raising daughters Allison and Kimberly on a small farm near Fort Saskatchewan.

Cypress-Medicine Hat

Hon. Lorne Taylor (PC)

Minister of Environment

Dr. Lorne Taylor was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed Minister of Environment. He is Vice-Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Energy and Sustainable Development and a member of the Agenda and Priorities Committee.

Dr. Taylor has also served as Minister responsible for Science, Research and Information Technology and Minister of the expanded portfolio of Innovation and Science.

As Minister responsible for Science, Research and Information Technology, Dr. Taylor spearheaded the government's information and communication technology strategic initiatives and focused on creating a positive environment for growing Alberta's knowledge-based industries.

Before his MLA career, Dr. Taylor was elected school trustee for the Medicine Hat public school district in the municipal elections of 1983, a position he held until his election to the Alberta Legislative Assembly. During his years on the school board, Dr. Taylor served four terms as Chair. Several major accomplishments of the board during Dr. Taylor's tenure include the initiation of active parent councils which participate in educational decision-making and an open budget process. As well, Dr. Taylor supported business/education partnerships, and an innovative education technology contract was signed with Xerox Canada in June of 1993.

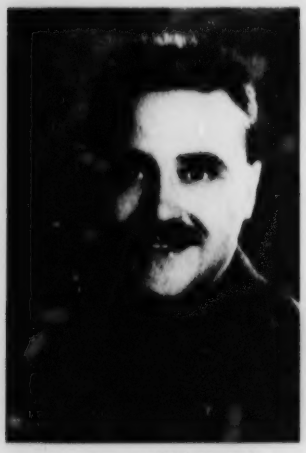
Dr. Taylor was born in 1944 in Manitoba. In 1945, after his father was discharged from the Air Force, he and his family moved to Medicine Hat. Dr. Taylor graduated from the University of Calgary with a Bachelor of Education degree in 1967.

After teaching at Brandon Junior High School for one year, Dr. Taylor re-entered university and received his Master's Degree in 1969 and his Doctor of Philosophy Degree (Ph.D) in 1971. Following his graduation, Dr. Taylor worked as a university professor in Australia, Newfoundland, and Saskatchewan before returning to Medicine Hat in 1979 to become part of his family's cattle and grain marketing business.

During the 17 years Dr. Taylor has lived in Medicine Hat, he has been actively involved in the community. He was one of the founding directors of the Community Christian Counselling Center. As well, in 1982 Dr. Taylor was one of the founding directors of World Relief Canada and was Chair until 1993.

Dr. Taylor lives with his wife, Lois, in the Ross Glen area of Medicine Hat. They have four married daughters.

Drayton Valley-Calmar



Rev. Tony Abbott (PC)

Reverend Tony Abbott was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Drayton Valley-Calmar on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of Standing Committees on Law and Regulations and Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing as well as the Standing Policy Committee on Learning and Employment. On March 26, Rev. Abbott was appointed Chair of the Council on Workplace Safety.

Clarke A. (Tony) Abbott was born on November 24, 1966, in York County, Ontario, and was raised in rural Alberta on a family-owned farm near Winfield. He graduated as valedictorian from Christianview Bible College in Ontario in 1988 with a bachelor's degree in Theology and is currently pursuing a Master's degree in Christian Counselling.

Before his MLA career, Rev. Abbott served as Senior Pastor of the Faith Evangelical Covenant Church in Breton, Alberta, from 1989 to 2000 and as a Wild Rose school division trustee between 1998 and 2001. He has also served as the Youth Pastor of Poplar Valley Pentecostal Holiness Church in Winfield, Alberta, and while studying, worked as a contractor and oilfield lead hand and as manager of his college bookstore.

Rev. Abbott is an active member of his community and has been involved with many local and regional boards and committees, including serving as National Chair of the Evangelical Covenant Church of Canada Ministerium, Chair of the Drayton Christian school board and school council, a member of the Yellowhead Regional Library Board, and of the Crossroads Regional Health Authority Ethics Committee.

Rev. Abbott lives in Drayton Valley with his wife, Linnette, and their three children: Taylor, Jenna-Leigh, and Lucas. He spends his free time coaching minor hockey and playing golf and men's recreational hockey. He enjoys sports, the outdoors, hunting and fishing.

Drumheller-Chinook

Hon. Shirley McClellan (PC)

Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development

Shirley McClellan was elected to her fifth term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Drumheller-Chinook on March 12, 2001, and on March 19, 2001, was appointed Deputy Premier and Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development. She is also the Vice-Chair of the Agenda and Priorities Committee and is a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Agriculture and Municipal Affairs.

Since she was first elected in a November 1987 by-election, Mrs. McClellan has served as Associate Minister of Agriculture, Minister Responsible for Rural Development, Minister of Health, Minister responsible for the Wild Rose Foundation, Minister Responsible for the Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission, Minister Responsible for the Seniors Advisory Council for Alberta, Minister of Community Development, and Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations.

Mrs. McClellan was born in Hanna and attended school in Cereal and Red Deer.

She was actively involved in bringing further education to rural areas, serving as a member of the board of directors for the Alberta Association of Continuing Education (AACE) and the Canadian Association for Continuing Education (CACE). She was co-ordinator of the Big Country Further Education Council for 12 years, a representative of the Ministers' Advisory Committee on Further Education for five years, and sat on the Ministers' Advisory Committee on College Affairs for two years.

Mrs. McClellan currently farms in New Brigden with her husband, Lloyd, and her son Mick. Her daughter Tami is a schoolteacher.

Dunvegan

Hector Goudreau (PC)

Hector Goudreau was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Dunvegan on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he also serves as a member of Standing Committees on Private Bills and Public Accounts as well as the Standing Policy Committee on Learning and Employment.

Mr. Goudreau sat on the Town of Falher's town council and also spent some time as Deputy Mayor.

Mr. Goudreau was born on October 11, 1950, and was raised on a dairy farm in Beaumont. He graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor of Science degree, majoring in Agriculture. He also completed a number of courses at the universities of Duluth, Minnesota, and Montana.

Mr. Goudreau spent 21 years as a district agriculturist. He has also worked as a crop specialist for the provincial government, the assistant manager of Falher Alfalfa, an agronomist in Australia, and a farmer with his family. Mr. Goudreau was a recipient of the government of Alberta's employee award for 25 years of service.

Mr. Goudreau is and has been involved with community and professional organizations, including the Knights of Columbus, Canadian Parents for French, the Falher and Area Economic Development Committee, and the Alberta Institute of Agrologists.

Mr. Goudreau received the Knights of Columbus' Knight of the Year award in 1987.

Mr. Goudreau lives in Falher with his wife, Angeline. They have three daughters: Micheline, Monique, and Melanie. In his free time, he enjoys travelling, fishing, curling, reading, and farming.

Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview

Julius Yankowsky (PC)

Julius Yankowsky was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview on March 12, 2001. He is currently a member of Standing Committees on Law and Regulations and Private Bills, and he is the Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Economic Development and Finance.

Mr. Yankowsky was first elected to the Alberta Legislature in 1993 as the Liberal MLA for Edmonton-Beverly-Belmont. He was appointed to serve as seniors critic in Laurence Decore's shadow cabinet. Following a leadership change, Mr. Yankowsky left the Liberal party and joined Ralph Klein's Progressive Conservative caucus.

Julius Edward Yankowsky was born in Lamont in 1938. Prior to his election as MLA, he worked as a power engineer and training co-ordinator for Edmonton Power. He also gained valuable knowledge of the business community as a small business entrepreneur and knowledge of agriculture as a recreational farmer. Mr. Yankowsky has also worked as a surveyor.

Mr. Yankowsky has served his community as Director of Edmonton Northlands' board and as a member of the Abbottsfield Youth Project board. He has lent a hand for the 118 Avenue Revitalization Committee and the Second Chance for Youth Association. He also is a member of the Canadian Club of Edmonton and St. John Bosco Parish. He is a past member of Norwood Toastmasters and has served in a number of capacities for church boards and various other committees.

Mr. Yankowsky and his wife, Katherine, have two daughters. The Yankowsky family has resided in northeast Edmonton since 1965.

Edmonton-Calder

Brent Rathgeber (PC)

Brent Rathgeber was elected to his first term as the Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Calder on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of the Standing Committees on Law and Regulations and Private Bills and the Lottery Fund Review Committee as well as the Standing Policy Committee on Economic Development and Finance.

Mr. Rathgeber was born on July 24, 1964, in Melville, Saskatchewan. In 1986 he graduated from the University of Saskatchewan with a bachelor's degree in Public Administration, and in 1990 he obtained his Bachelor of Laws degree, also from the University of Saskatchewan. Between his studies Mr. Rathgeber worked with the government of Saskatchewan for one year.

Mr. Rathgeber began his legal career articling with Milner and Steer (now Fraser Milner Casgrain) in Calgary. After three years working in Red Deer, he moved to Edmonton.

In Edmonton Mr. Rathgeber practiced with McCourt Law Offices, where he worked as a civil litigator and gained significant trial experience.

Mr. Rathgeber is active in both the Canadian Bar Association and the Alberta Civil Trial Lawyers Association. He has had several articles published in *The Barrister* magazine.

Mr. Rathgeber is also involved with the Inglewood Community League.

In his free time Mr. Rathgeber enjoys sports and fitness, music, and reading.

Edmonton-Castle Downs

Thomas Lukaszuk (PC)

Thomas Lukaszuk was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Castle Downs on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of the Standing Committees on Law and Regulations and Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing as well as the Standing Policy Committee on Health and Community Living.

Mr. Lukaszuk was born April 5, 1969, in Poland, but was raised in Edmonton's north end. He graduated with a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of Alberta. He taught in Edmonton schools before starting Injured Workers' Advocates Inc. (IWA), a firm designed to assist injured Canadian workers with work-related claims. He has also worked as a translator and interpreter for the Crown Prosecutor's office and the Edmonton Police Service.

Mr. Lukaszuk has a history of involvement with social action and community groups. He serves on the Social Care Facilities Review Committee; the Citizen's Appeal Panel (Chair), which led to government policy changes to social benefits (e.g. welfare); the Alberta Lotteries Review Committee, which capped the number of VLTs in the province; and is a past president of the Youth Friendship Society. He conducted a review of Alberta day cares, foster homes, group homes, and homeless shelters in Alberta for the Hon. Iris Evans, Minister of Children's Services.

Mr. Lukaszuk has also coached soccer through the Edmonton Northwood Community League, has been a scout leader, and is a strong supporter of the Hope Foundation.

In his free time Mr. Lukaszuk enjoys traveling and spending time with children.

Edmonton-Centre

Laurie Blakeman (LIB)

Laurie Blakeman was elected to her second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Centre on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed a member of Standing Committees on Legislative Offices and Public Accounts.

In addition to her role as MLA, Ms Blakeman serves as Caucus Whip, Critic Responsible for Community Development, Critic Responsible for Seniors, Critic Responsible for Women's Issues, Critic Responsible for Justice, Critic Responsible for Gaming, and Critic Responsible for Solicitor General.

Ms Blakeman was born in Edmonton on May 23, 1958. She holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts from the University of Alberta and a Certificate in Public Administration from the University of Alberta's Faculty of Extension.

Before her MLA career, Ms Blakeman worked as the Executive Director of Alberta's Advisory Council on Women's Issues, General Manager of the Phoenix Theatre and Theatre Network, Chief Trainer of the Medical Council of Canada LMCC Part II, and Executive Director of the Alberta Snowmobile Association.

Ms Blakeman's active community involvement has included serving as President of the Celebration of Women in the Arts committee, the Provincial Association of Business and Professional Women's Clubs of Alberta, and the University of Alberta Drama Alumni Association. She has been a member of the Alliance of Canadian Cinema, Television and Radio Artists (ACTRA), the City of Edmonton Cultural Diversity Committee, the City of Edmonton Charitable Appeals Committee, the Edmonton Business and Professional Women's Club, the Edmonton Street Performers Festival, and the First Night Festival. She was a founder of the December 6th National Day of Remembrance and Action on violence Against Women.

Ms Blakeman has been a resident of Edmonton-Centre (Rossdale) since 1981.

Edmonton-Ellerslie

Debby Carlson (LIB)

Debby Carlson was elected to her third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Ellerslie on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed a member of Standing Committees on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing and the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund.

In addition to her role as MLA, Ms Carlson serves as House Leader, Critic Responsible for Environment, Critic Responsible for International and Intergovernmental Relations, Critic Responsible for Economic Development, Critic Responsible for Sustainable Resource Development, and Critic Responsible for Parks and Protected Areas.

Before her MLA career, Ms Carlson was the owner/operator of a small accounting service, a consultant for the Federal Business Development and the YMCA Enterprise Centre, and the host and co-producer of *We Mean Business,* a TV show on small business.

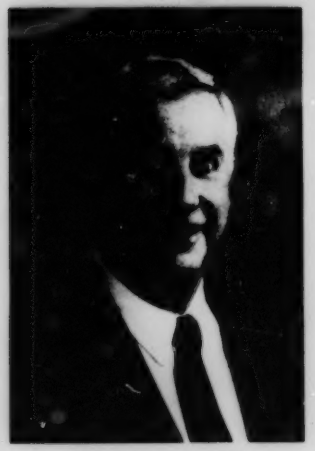
On June 9, 2001, Ms Carlson completed her MBA in Strategic Planning and Marketing through Athabasca University. Her thesis was on Climate Change as a change management issue for Alberta businesses.

Ms Carlson's active community involvement has included serving as secretary to the National Film and Television Institute of Alberta, Director and Treasurer of the Mill Woods Cultural and Recreational Facilities Association, Treasurer of the Mill Woods Recreation Centre Advisory Committee and of the Mill Woods President's Council. She is a consultant for the Junior Achievement organization, an auctioneer for charity fundraisers, and a basketball coach. Ms Carlson is also often a guest lecturer at the Mennonite Centre for Newcomers.

Ms Carlson received the Bill Lloyd Memorial Community Spirit Award in 1995/96.

Ms Carlson was born on April 5, 1957. She lives in Edmonton-Ellerslie with her two children.

Edmonton-Glengarry



Bill Bonner (LIB)

Bill Bonner was elected to his second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Glengarry on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed a member of Standing Committees on Law and Regulations, Private Bills, and the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund. He is also a member of the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services.

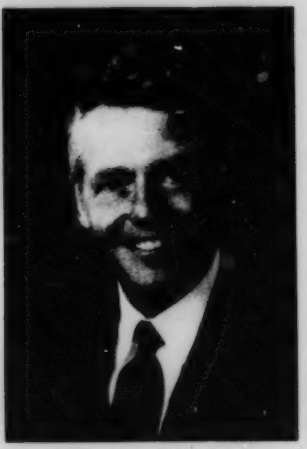
In addition to his role as MLA, Mr. Bonner also serves as Deputy Caucus Whip, Critic Responsible for Infrastructure, Critic Responsible for Municipal Affairs, and Critic Responsible for Transportation.

Mr. Bonner was born on September 26, 1944. He graduated from the University of Alberta with bachelor's degrees in Education and Physical Education. He was a teacher in Edmonton for 27 years and has served as Convention Representative for the North Central Teachers' Convention and as a staff representative for the Alberta Teachers' Association.

Mr. Bonner has been an active member of hockey programs and tournaments – from the community level to the world stage. He has served as Chair of the Canadian Adult Recreation Hockey Association's Prairie Cup; Vice-Chair of the Canadian Hockey Association's AGM, Edmonton 2000; President of the Edmonton Minor Hockey Association and as Chair of the 1995 World Junior Hockey Championships.

Mr. Bonner and his wife, Jeanne, live in Edmonton-Glengarry with their three children: Kevin, Keri, and Kristie.

Edmonton-Glenora



Drew Hutton (PC)

Drew Hutton was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Glenora on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is Chair of the Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund and a member of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and the Standing Policy Committee on Economic Development and Finance.

Mr. Hutton was born on October 8, 1953, in Hamilton, Scotland, and immigrated to Edmonton with his family when he was very young. He graduated from Jasper Place Composite High School and studied at the University of Alberta.

Mr. Hutton has most recently served as Executive Director of the Glenrose Foundation, but he has also worked as the National Events Manager for Running Room Canada and with Alberta Economic Development and Tourism.

An active member of his community, Mr. Hutton has volunteered as a coach of local soccer teams as well as for the Kidney Foundation, the Edmonton Festival Marathon Society, and the Edmonton 2001 ITU Triathlon Championship Committee.

Mr. Hutton is an accomplished masters runner, completing 38 marathons over his running career. In 1997 he was awarded Edmonton's Runner of the Year award for his volunteer and running achievements.

Mr. Hutton lives in Edmonton-Glenora with his wife, Marcy, and their children, Hailey and Mackenzie.

Edmonton-Gold Bar

Hugh MacDonald (LIB)

Hugh MacDonald was first elected to the Alberta Legislature in the general election of 1997, and was elected to his second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Gold Bar on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of the Standing Committees on Law and Regulations and Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing.

Mr. MacDonald is currently serving as Chair of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, which is charged with reviewing government spending and departmental business plans.

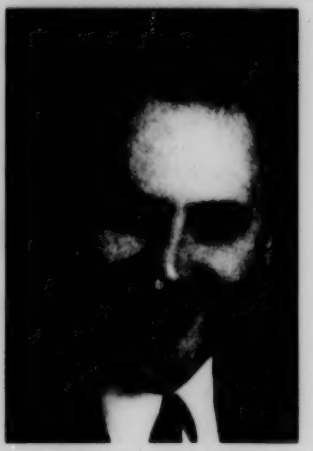
Mr. MacDonald has also assumed a number of additional Official Opposition critic positions, and is currently Critic Responsible for Energy, Critic Responsible for Human Resources and Employment, and Critic Responsible for Government Services.

Mr. MacDonald was born August 5, 1955, in Souris, Prince Edward Island. Before his MLA career, he spent 20 years working in Alberta's petroleum industry as a boilermaker and small business owner.

An active member of his community, Mr. MacDonald is Secretary of the Strathearn Community League. He is also an assistant coach to a minor hockey team.

Mr. MacDonald lives in the Strathearn area of Edmonton-Gold Bar with his partner, Jan, and their three school-aged children.

Edmonton-Highlands



Brian Mason (ND)

Brian Mason was first elected as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Highlands in a 2000 by-election. He was re-elected in the provincial general election of March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed House Leader of the third party opposition and Critic Responsible for Human Resources, Finance and Agriculture.

In addition to his role as MLA, Mr. Mason is a member of the Standing Committees on Law and Regulations and Public Accounts as well as the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services.

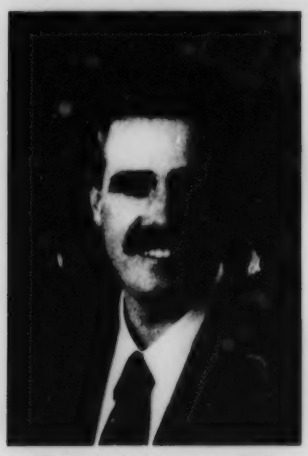
Before his election to the Alberta Legislature, Mr. Mason served as the City of Edmonton's Councillor for Ward 3. He was first elected in October 1989 and won three subsequent civic elections. As a member of City Council for 11 years, Mr. Mason gained a reputation as a tough and effective voice for his constituents.

Mr. Mason graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor of Political Science degree, following which he served as Executive Director of the Alberta Federation of Students from 1977-1979.

He was subsequently employed by Edmonton Transit Services as a bus driver. He made headlines in 1989 when he appealed the provincial law that required municipal employees to resign their positions to run as municipal candidates. The law was subsequently amended shortly after Mr. Mason won his seat on city council.

Mr. Mason has lived in Edmonton-Highlands for over 20 years with his wife, Karin, and their two sons, Peter and Alex.

Edmonton-Manning



Tony Vandermeer (PC)

Tony Vandermeer was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Manning on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of Standing Committees on Law and Regulations and Private Bills as well as a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Justice and Government Services.

Mr. Vandermeer was born in Edmonton on October 8, 1962. He graduated from the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT) and is a journeyman carpenter. He has also taken courses on energy efficient construction, money management, and real estate.

A small business owner, Mr. Vandermeer along with his wife are the owners and principals of Integra Homes Ltd. and Willchare Properties Ltd. Mr. Vandermeer was named builder of the month by *Builder/Architect* and has been the recipient of the Alberta new home warranty program's service award for four consecutive years.

Mr. Vandermeer is an active member of his community. He is currently a cadet leader for a local boys club but has also served as a volunteer at the Fort correctional facility, a Deacon of Trinity Church, a member of Northeast Christian School's Parent School Council, Sergeant of Arms of the Aimcrier Toastmasters Association, and an assistant hockey coach for the Gibbon's Just for Fun League.

Mr. Vandermeer has also been awarded the Competent Toastmasters award from Toastmasters International.

Mr. Vandermeer and his wife, Patricia, live in Edmonton with their three children: William, Charlene, and Samuel.

Edmonton-McClung

Hon. Mark Norris (PC)

Minister of Economic Development

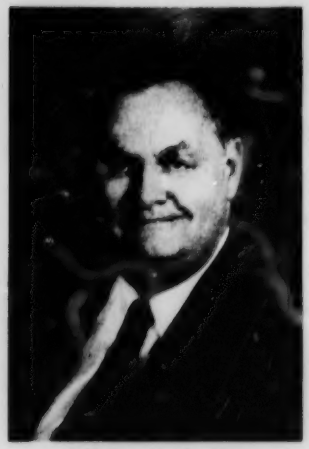
Mark Norris was elected as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-McClung on March 12, 2001, and was appointed Alberta's Minister of Economic Development on March 15, 2001. He currently serves as a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Economic Development and Finance.

Mr. Norris was born in Edmonton on April 6, 1962. He graduated from St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, Nova Scotia, with a bachelor's degree in Political Science. He returned to Edmonton following university to work with his family's outdoor advertising business. In 1990 he bought and operated the business himself until 1999, when he sold the business.

Mr. Norris has been involved with a number of community organizations including the Grant MacEwan Community College, the Edmonton Boy Scouts, and the Christmas Bureau. He currently serves as a member of the Downtown Rotary Club and Chair of ABC Headstart, an early intervention life skills and literacy program for pre-kindergarten students and their families.

Mr. Norris currently resides in Edmonton-McClung with his wife, Veronica and children Claudia and Jack. He spends his free time playing golf and bridge, going to the movies, and travelling.

Edmonton-Meadowlark



Bob Maskell (PC)

Bob Maskell was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Meadowlark on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of Standing Committees on Law and Regulations and Private Bills as well as the Standing Policy Committee on Learning and Employment.

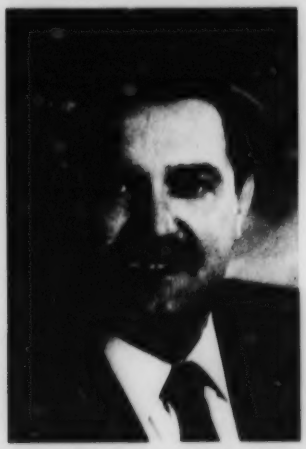
A graduate of the University of Alberta's Bachelor of Education program, Mr. Maskell has had a long and distinguished career as an educator in Edmonton. He was a teacher and Principal of Jasper Place Composite High School and Principal of the Victoria School of the Performing and Visual Arts. Before his teaching career, Mr. Maskell was employed as a baker and a railroader.

Mr. Maskell has considerable volunteer experience. He has been involved with a number of boards, committees, and initiatives, including serving as President of the Alberta Teachers' Association Business Education Council; Chair of the Alberta Library Board; President of the Public School Administrators' Association; Director of the Alberta Ballet Company; Chair of the Edmonton-Harbin Friendship Society; Cabinet member (Education) of the Greater Edmonton United Way Campaigns 1990, '93, '94; Vice-President of the China-Canada Business Association; member of the External Advisory Committee to the Asia Pacific Institute; Co-President of the Canada-China Friendship Society; a member of the Queen Mary Park/Central McDougall Redevelopment Planning Committee; and President of the Edmonton-Shenyang Friendship Association.

Mr. Maskell has also been the recipient of a number of awards, including the Charles deTro award (business education teacher of the year, Alberta); the NBEA (National Business Education Association) award for professionalism and dedication to business education; the Edmonton Chamber of Commerce achievement award for leadership in education; the Merit award for outstanding meritorious contributions to Edmonton Public School District seven; and a City of Edmonton citation award for long and significant service to the community and to the arts in Edmonton.

Mr. Maskell resides in Edmonton. He has a son, Gary, and a daughter-in-law, Christine, and two grandchildren, Robbie and Lyndsay.

Edmonton-Mill Creek



Hon. Gene Zwozdesky (PC)

Minister of Community Development

Gene Zwozdesky was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Mill Creek on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed Minister of Community Development. He also serves as Deputy House Leader and member of the Standing Policy Committee on Health and Community Living.

Since he was first elected, Mr. Zwozdesky has also served as Associate Minister of Health and Wellness and Deputy Government House Leader.

Gene Zwozdesky was born on July 24, 1948, in Nipawin, Saskatchewan, and was raised in rural Alberta, including Grand Centre, Hinton, and Sangudo. He holds bachelor's degrees in Arts and Education, both from the University of Alberta. He has also taken courses in public administration at the University of Alberta's Faculty of Extension.

After university Mr. Zwozdesky worked as a teacher, administrator, and a restauranteur, as well as a small businessman in construction, the oil patch, and the arts. In particular, he served as Executive Director of the Alberta Cultural Heritage Foundation and the Alberta Ukrainian Canadian Centennial Commission, as well as music director for the Shumka Dancers and Cheremosh Dancers.

As a champion of the arts and various community endeavours, Mr. Zwozdesky has served on a wide variety of boards, including the Alberta Recording Industry Association (ARIA), Edmonton Heritage Festival Association, and the Edmonton Canada Day Committee. He was co-founder of the Great Canadian Awards and has served as Co-Chair of the Edmonton Task Force on the Homeless. Mr. Zwozdesky is also a member of the Rainbow Society, the Order of St. Andrew, St. John's Fraternal Society, and the Edmonton Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Zwozdesky has volunteered with the Youth Emergency Shelter and served three years as a volunteer member of the Ukrainian Community Council Board of Capital City Savings.

As a result of this extensive community involvement, Mr. Zwozdesky has received numerous awards for his efforts, including a City of Edmonton Ambassador Award for Business and Tourism, a Province of Alberta Achievement Award for Culture, a Government of Canada Merit Award for Multiculturalism, the Royal Canadian Legion Community Service Award, the Alberta Motion Picture Industry Film Composer Award, the Congress of Black Women of Canada Merit Award, a Ukrainian Canadian Social Services Certificate of Recognition, the Edmonton Folk Arts Council Heritage Development Award, and an Award of Distinction from the ARIA.

Mr. Zwozdesky lives in Edmonton with his wife, Christine, and their two children.

Edmonton-Mill Woods

Dr. Don Massey (LIB)

Dr. Don Massey was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Mill Woods on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed to the Standing Committee on Private Bills and the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services.

In addition to his role as MLA, Dr. Massey serves as the Critic Responsible for Learning, the Critic Responsible for Children's Services, and the Critic Responsible for Innovation and Science.

Dr. Massey was born August 15, 1936, in Edmonton. He graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor of Education Degree, and from the University of Kansas with a Master's of Education degree and a Ph.D.

Before his career as an MLA, Dr. Massey was a Professor of Elementary Education at the University of Alberta and held a number of positions through the Edmonton public school system: teacher, consultant, supervisor, and director. He has authored a number of textbook publications on the geography of Canada.

An active member of his community, Dr. Massey was a four-time Chair and trustee of the Edmonton Public School Board. He was instrumental in developing the school building program in Mill Woods. He was a member of the Edmonton Names Advisory Committee and a member of the Edmonton Board of Health.

Dr. Massey was born and raised in South Edmonton where he resides with his wife, Barbara. Their daughter, Lauralee and son-in-law Scott have a son named Matthew.

Edmonton-Norwood

Gary Masyk (PC)

Gary Masyk was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Norwood on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of the Standing Committees on Law and Regulations and Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing as well as the Standing Policy Committee on Energy and Sustainable Development.

Mr. Masyk was born in High Prairie, Alberta. He graduated from E.W. Pratt High School in 1978 and enrolled at the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology in 2000. A small business owner, Mr. Masyk has been owner and President of Garco Oilfield Service and Masyk Lumber Co.

Mr. Masyk is an active member of his community. He has volunteered with the High Prairie Minor Hockey Association, the Mustard Seed Church, and the Norwood Legion poppy fund. He is also a delegate for the Alliance Church.

Mr. Masyk and his wife, Diana, have lived in Edmonton-Norwood for six years. They have five children.

Edmonton-Riverview

Dr. Kevin Taft (LIB)

Dr. Kevin Taft was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Riverview on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed a member of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts. In addition to his role as MLA, Dr. Taft is also the Critic Responsible for Health and Wellness, Critic Responsible for the Persons with Developmental Disabilities Boards and Foundations, and Critic Responsible for Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development.

Dr. Taft was born September 9, 1955. He graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Master's of Arts degree. He also graduated from the University of Warwick, England, with a Ph.D in Business.

Dr. Taft is the author of two books. He wrote the first, *Shredding the Public Interest*, in 1997 and the second, *Clear Answers: The Economies and Politics of For-Profit Health Care*, he wrote in 2000 with Gillian Steward. He has also authored numerous studies and articles.

Dr. Taft lives in Edmonton-Riverview with his wife, Jeanette, and their two children.

Edmonton-Rutherford

Ian McClelland (PC)

Ian McClelland was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Rutherford on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of the Standing Committee on Private Bills and Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing as well as the Standing Policy Committee on Economic Development and Finance, and Treasury Board. Mr. McClelland is also the Chair of the Capital Region Caucus.

Mr. McClelland also served two terms as the Member of Parliament for the federal constituency of Edmonton Southwest. In his role as MP he was a member of the Standing Committee on Human Rights and the Status of Disabled Persons and the Standing Committee on Industry. He was the Reform Co-Critic for Industry, the Critic for Public Service Renewal and for Human Resource Development. In 1997 Mr. McClelland was appointed Assistant Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons.

Mr. McClelland was born June 22, 1942, in Trail, B.C. He was honourably discharged from the Royal Canadian Navy in 1962 and graduated from the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology's (NAIT) photo technology course in 1965. He was a photographer for Miller Photography, a salesman for McBain Camera, and a salesman, technical and sales management, for the GAF Corporation.

In 1975 Mr. McClelland founded the Colourfast Corporation and worked as its president for 20 years. In 1997 he established the French Meadow Artisan Bakery Café.

Mr. McClelland is an active member of his community and has been involved with a number of organizations, including serving as Chair of the Edmonton Downtown Rotary Youth Exchange Committee; Director and coach of the Edmonton Southwest Minor Hockey Association; Director of the Fultonvale Minor Hockey Association; Director of the Edmonton Heritage Festival Association; Chair of the NAIT Phototechnology Advisory Council; Co-Chair of the NAIT Capital Campaign, major gift division; Co-Chair of the Canada/Ukraine legislative cooperation project; and a member of the Rotary District 5360 Youth Exchange Committee.

Mr. McClelland has been named a Distinguished Friend of the Institute, an annual award presented by the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology for community, business, and volunteer service.

Mr. McClelland and his wife, Dianne, are the parents of four grown children and the grandparents of five.

Edmonton-Strathcona

Dr. Raj Pannu (ND)

Leader of the New Democrat Opposition

Dr. Raj Pannu was elected to his second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Strathcona on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed a member of Standing Committees on Private Bills and Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing.

Since he was first elected in 1997, Dr. Pannu has served as a member of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services. Dr. Pannu assumed leadership of the New Democrat opposition in February 2000.

Dr. Pannu was born in Punjab, India, and immigrated to Canada in 1962. He graduated from the University of Alberta with a Ph.D in Sociology in 1973. He was a school teacher in rural Alberta and in Edmonton in the early 1960s before becoming a Professor in the University of Alberta's departments of Educational Policy Studies and Sociology. He was a professor there for almost 30 years, between 1969 and 1996.

Dr. Pannu is a participant in the Citizens for Quality Communities Edmonton organization.

Dr. Pannu and his wife, Swinder, have lived in the Strathcona area for over 32 years. Their daughter Savi is a student in Edmonton.

Edmonton-Whitemud

Hon. Dave Hancock, Q.C.
(PC)

Minister of Justice and
Attorney General
Government House Leader

Dave Hancock was elected to his second term as the Member of the Legislative Assembly for Edmonton-Whitemud on March 12, 2001, and was asked to continue as Minister of Justice and Attorney General and Government House Leader. As Justice Minister, Mr. Hancock is responsible for the Alberta Review Board and the Fatality Review Board. He is also a member of Treasury Board, the Agenda and Priorities Committee, and the Standing Policy Committee on Justice and Government Services.

Mr. Hancock was elected to his first term as an MLA on March 11, 1997, and served as Minister of Federal and Intergovernmental Affairs and Deputy House Leader. In January 1999 Mr. Hancock was appointed Government House Leader and Minister of Justice and Attorney General in May 1999.

Prior to his election to the Alberta Legislature, Mr. Hancock was a partner with Matheson and Company, Barristers and Solicitors. He received his law degree from the University of Alberta in 1979.

Mr. Hancock has played an active role in the community and various professional organizations including serving as the President of the Kiwanis Club of South Edmonton and the South Edmonton Business Association. He was the former Chair of the YMCA Southwest Capital campaign, former Vice-Chair of the Credit Union Deposit Guarantee Corporation and Chair of Special Loans Committee, and a former member of the University of Alberta Hospitals Board, the Yellowbird Community League, the Easter Seal Ability Council, the Students' Finance Board, and the Phi Gamma Delta Education Foundation of Canada.

Mr. Hancock was born in Fort Resolution, N.W.T., on August 10, 1955. He lived in Hazelton, B.C., and the northern Alberta community of Fort Vermilion, where he graduated from La Crete Public School. Mr. Hancock moved to Edmonton in 1972. He and his wife, Janet, have three children: Ian, Janis, and Janine.

Fort McMurray

Hon. Guy Boutilier (PC)

Minister of Municipal Affairs

Guy Boutilier was elected to his second term as MLA for Fort McMurray on March 12, 2001. He was sworn in as Alberta's Minister of Municipal Affairs on March 19, 2001, and serves as Vice-Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Agriculture and Municipal Affairs.

Since he was first elected to the Legislature in 1997, Mr. Boutilier has chaired the Standing Policy Committee on Sustainable Development and Environmental Protection, the Cabinet Committee on Climate Change, and the Northern Alberta Development Council (NADC).

Mr. Boutilier brings a combination of academic, private, public, and service experience to the Legislature. His academic accomplishments include a Master's degree in Public Administration from Harvard University in Cambridge-Boston, Massachusetts. He also holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish, Nova Scotia, and an Education degree with honours from St. Mary's University in Halifax.

For eight years Mr. Boutilier was a college instructor teaching business management courses at Keyano College in Fort McMurray. He has also worked as a financial analyst in the oil industry and lectured at the University of Alberta's School of Business.

Mr. Boutilier was a member of Fort McMurray's City Council for 11 years, serving two terms as an Alderman and two terms as Fort McMurray's youngest Mayor. The most significant accomplishment of his tenure as Mayor was to examine the makeup of municipal government and determine how it could be improved. With the cooperation of local governments, industry, hospitals, schools, and the college, Mr. Boutilier formed and chaired the Fort McMurray Stakeholders' Group. Collectively, the group examined better ways to serve the region's citizens while reducing the cost of government. The end result was Alberta's first rural-urban amalgamation into the Regional Municipality of Wood Buffalo, the largest municipality in North America, spanning 69,000 square kilometres.

Mr. Boutilier has received a number of awards and distinctions. In 1994 the International Association of Business Communicators selected him as "Top Communicator of the Year." He also received the 1995 Award of Excellence by the Board of Directors of the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association in Alberta.

Mr. Boutilier has been extremely active in the community having served on numerous boards and commissions. He is a member of the Oil Sands Rotary Club, the Fort McMurray Chamber of Commerce, the Fort McMurray Shrine Club, and Chair of the Fort McMurray Diabetes Association. In his spare time he enjoys coaching minor league sports. Recently, his hockey team won the international championship at the Quebec World Pee Wee AA Hockey Tournament.

Mr. Boutlier his wife, Gail, reside in Fort McMurray.

Grande Prairie-Smoky

Mel Knight (PC)

Mel Knight was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Grande Prairie-Smoky on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of Standing Committees on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund and Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing as well as the Standing Policy Committee on Energy and Sustainable Development.

Mr. Knight has also served as the representative of Ward 2 of the Municipal District of Greenview.

Mr. Knight was born on July 30, 1944, in Beaverlodge and raised in the Peace country. He graduated from Hillside High School in Valleyview and is a certified journeyman instrument mechanic.

Mr. Knight worked for drilling and exploration service companies until 1965, when he joined PanAm Petroleum. In 1970 he started Knight Measurement and Control, an energy sector service company that employed up to 50 people in northwestern Alberta.

In 1972 Mr. Knight moved to a half-section farm south of Valleyview, where he expanded to 1500 acres raising forage for contract sales. In 1974 Mr. Knight bought a family service station that operates today as an antique shop. He continues to be actively involved in commercial real estate leasing.

An active member of his community, Mr. Knight is a member of a local recreation board, the past president of a senior hockey team and a hockey coach for 10 years, and a member of the local gun club and petroleum association.

Mr. Knight lives on a farmstead south of Valleyview with his wife, Diana. They have three children, Darren, Shawna, and Gregory, and nine grandchildren.

Grande Prairie-Wapiti

Gordon Graydon (PC)

Gordon Graydon was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Grande Prairie-Wapiti on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of Standing Committees on Private Bills and Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, the Standing Policy Committee on Economic Development and Finance, and he also serves on the Treasury Board.

Gordon Graydon was Mayor of the City of Grande Prairie for almost nine years, 1992 to present, and served as an Alderman from 1983 to 1992. He was Director, then President of the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association and was also a Director of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities. In 1999 Mr. Graydon was recognized as a 'life member' by the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association.

During his tenure with the City of Grande Prairie, Mr. Graydon also served as General Manager of the Grande Prairie and District Chamber of Commerce and as Executive Officer of the Grande Prairie Real Estate Board. He was named an honourary life member of the Grande Prairie Real Estate Board in 1993.

In 1995 Mr. Graydon was awarded the Toastmasters International communication award for outstanding achievement and contribution to communication excellence.

Mr. Graydon was born in Lacombe, Alberta, on September 19, 1942. He graduated from Lacombe High School and completed the electronics program at the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology (SAIT) in 1961.

Before his public-sector career Mr. Graydon was employed by Alberta Government Telephones (AGT) and worked as Sales and General Manager of Granco Real Estate.

Mr. Graydon has been involved with many local and regional boards and committees, including serving as Director of the Health Unit Association of Alberta, the Alberta Racing Corporation, and the Alberta Safety Codes Council. Mr. Graydon has served as Chair of the South Peace Health Unit, the South Peace Regional Planning Commission, the Canada Winter Games 1995 Board of Governors and the Board of Directors.

Mr. Graydon lives in Grande Prairie with his wife, Anne. They are the parents of four grown children, two sons and two daughters.

Highwood

Don Tannas (PC)

Deputy Speaker and Chairman of Committees

Don Tannas was elected to his fourth term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Highwood on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently re-appointed Deputy Speaker and Chairman of Committees. He is a member of the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices and the Standing Policy Committee on Economic Development and Finance.

Mr. Tannas was the first elected Deputy Speaker and Chairman of Committees of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta. He has held this position since 1993.

Don Tannas was born in Marwayne on April 25, 1938, to Mildred and Alfred Tannas. He was educated at the universities of Alberta and Calgary.

An educator and businessman, Mr. Tannas was employed as a Teacher and Principal for the Foothills School Division from 1962 to 1989. From 1969 to 1971 he took a leave of absence and worked with CIDA as a teacher trainer in Uganda.

Mr. Tannas continues to be an active community leader as member and past President of the High River Rotary Club and member of the Canadian College of Teachers. He is a past member of the Boy Scouts Group Committee; Air Cadet Committee; Downtown Revitalization Committee; Economic Development Committee; Tourism Committee; Municipal Plan Review Committee; and Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Board.

Mr. Tannas and his wife, Chris (Christine Scott Mason), have been married since 1961. They have two grown sons and four grandchildren. They live in High River.

Innisfail-Sylvan Lake

Luke Ouellette (PC)

Luke Ouellette was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Innisfail-Sylvan Lake on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is Chair of the Advisory Committee on Climate Change, a member of Standing Committees on Private Bills and Public Accounts, a member of the MLA Review of Ambulance Service, and of the Standing Policy Committee on Energy and Sustainable Development.

Mr. Ouellette was born on July 22, 1953, in St. Paul and grew up on a farm in St. Lina.

Mr. Ouellette has owned a number of small businesses and worked as an oil field consultant. In 1991 he his wife, Jayne, bought the Sandy Cove Beach Resort in Pine Lake.

An active member of his community, Mr. Ouellette has served as a volunteer for a number of organizations, including the Pine Lake Hub Centre, Crossroads Agricultural Society, YWCA in Lethbridge, Pine Lake Agriculture Park, and STARS Ambulance. He has served as Director of the Pine Lake Restoration Society, as Co-Chair of Pine Lake's Clean Lake Days, as a minor baseball coach and as Field Services Liaison with the Municipal District of Taber.

Mr. Ouellette and his wife, Jayne, live in Pine Lake with their two sons, Shayne and Ryan.

Lac La Biche-St. Paul

Ray Danyluk (PC)

Ray Danyluk was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Lac La Biche-St. Paul on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of Standing Committees on Law and Regulations and Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing as well as the Standing Policy Committee on Agriculture and Municipal Affairs.

Before his election to the Alberta Legislature, Mr. Danyluk was a representative at the municipal level. He was a county councillor for eight years, Reeve for three years, and has also served as North Eastern Alberta Zone President for the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties.

Mr. Danyluk was a local school board trustee for eight years and Chair of the board for three years. He also served on the Agricultural Service Board for eight years and was its chair for three years.

Mr. Danyluk's work has been recognized through several different municipal, education, and community service awards.

Mr. Danyluk was born in Calgary, Alberta, and studied sciences at the University of Alberta in Edmonton. He is an active member of his community and has been involved with numerous boards and committees, including the Public School Boards' Association, the Agriculture Service Board (Regional Chair, Provincial Regulations Chair), the Elk Point Rural Electrification Association (18 years, 10 years as president), the Alberta Environmentally Sustainable Agriculture Council, and the Alberta Cattle Commission. He has coached the F.G. Miller Junior/Senior High School Basketball and has been involved with Elk Point's men's basketball, minor hockey and minor baseball organizations. He has also been involved with the Elk Point 4-H Multi Club as a project leader and parent volunteer.

Mr. Danyluk lives on a farm in Elk Point with his wife, Lorraine, and their three children: Robyn, Peter, and George.

Lacombe-Stettler

Judy Gordon (PC)

Judy Gordon was elected to her third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Lacombe-Stettler on March 12, 2001. In addition to her role as MLA, she also serves as a member of the Standing Committee on Law and Regulations and is Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Justice and Government Services.

Mrs. Gordon was acclaimed Deputy Chairman of Committees by the Legislative Assembly in April 1997. She was the first woman in Alberta's history to occupy this position.

Prior to her MLA career Mrs. Gordon served on Lacombe Town Council and went on to be elected Mayor in October 1989, a position to which she was returned by acclamation in 1992. During her term in office the town's population increased by 16 per cent and Lacombe enjoyed a corresponding increase in building starts and commercial development. A deteriorating downtown core benefited by the implementation of a successful mainstreet revitalization project. Another major accomplishment was the development of a 67 acre family-oriented multi-use recreational park.

Besides serving on various municipal committees, Mrs. Gordon was a Director for Central Towns' Alberta Urban Municipalities Association board of directors, sat on the Executive Committee of the Red Deer Regional Planning Commission, and was the Vice-Chair of the Central Alberta Mayors' Association. During her extensive municipal political career Mrs. Gordon presented numerous workshops throughout the province pertaining to local government.

Mrs. Gordon was nominated in June 1993 by her Town Council for the Alberta Urban Municipalities Association's Award of Excellence.

Judy Gordon was born in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, and was raised in Calgary. She attended Camrose Lutheran College and moved to Lacombe in 1968. From 1973 to 1977 Mrs. Gordon was employed as an accountant with a chartered accountants' firm. After leaving the firm, she maintained a long-standing association with them by doing contract accounting in conjunction with their office. Between 1977 and 1986, she was employed with a retail grocery store/rental investment company as an accountant and office manager.

Active in both community work and service clubs, Mrs. Gordon is past regent of Lord Lascelles chapter of the IODE, has been an active member of the Kinette Club, and enjoys judging public speaking competitions.

Judy and her husband, Allan, live in Lacombe. They have one grown son, Greg.

Leduc

Albert Klapstein (PC)

Albert Klapstein was elected to his second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is Chair of the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, a member of the Standing Committee on Law and Regulations and the Standing Policy Committee on Agriculture and Municipal Affairs.

For periods of time between 1982 and the spring of 1997, Mr. Klapstein served as both a Reeve and Councillor with the County of Leduc.

Albert Klapstein was born in Edmonton, Alberta, on November 28, 1940. He completed his education at Salisbury Composite High School. He is a fourth-generation Albertan of German descent whose family settled in the Nisku area in the early 1880s. In 1960 he operated a grain and dairy farm while in partnership with his father. Since 1984 he has owned and operated Heimthal Farms, a grain farm located near Leduc.

For the past 15 years or more, Mr. Klapstein has been involved in various levels of municipal government, church boards, and community groups, including serving as a trustee for both the County of Strathcona and the County of Leduc Boards of Education and as a Councillor for the County of Strathcona. He has been the regional and provincial Director of Unifarm, Chair of the Southwest Capital Region Water Services Commission, Chair of the County of Leduc's Board of Education, Chair of the County of Leduc's Subdivision Development Appeal Board, and Chair of the Leduc Seed Cleaning Association. He has also served as President of the Nisku Rural Fire Protection Co-op, second Vice-President of the Alberta School Boards Association, Vice-Chair of the Edmonton Regional Planning Commission, a delegate of the Alberta Wheat Pool, and a member of the County of Strathcona Recreation Board.

Mr. Klapstein is married to Patricia and has two stepchildren, Nicole and Rob.

Lesser Slave Lake

Hon. Pearl Calahasen (PC)

Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development

Pearl Calahasen was elected to her fourth term as the Member of the Legislative Assembly for Lesser Slave Lake on March 12, 2001. She was subsequently appointed Alberta's Minister of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development and currently serves as a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Health and Community Living.

Since she was first elected to the Alberta Legislature in 1989, Ms Calahasen has also served as Minister without Portfolio responsible for Children's Services and Associate Minister of Aboriginal Affairs.

Pearl Calahasen was born and raised in Grouard, Alberta. She has a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of Alberta and a Master's degree from the University of Oregon.

Her professional, private-sector experience includes teaching in a minimum-security prison, serving as a continuing education co-ordinator at Alberta Vocational College (NorQuest), and working as a private consultant developing and evaluating educational materials.

Ms Calahasen has been a champion of Native education programs. She led the development of the first Native language program introduced in Alberta schools and was responsible for developing the Cree language program for adult students. As a consultant with Alberta Education, Ms Calahasen was the principal advisor for the development of the Native education policy, Native curriculum materials, and Native language programming.

Actively involved in community affairs, Ms Calahasen has served as a member of the Native economic development program, as an Alberta Human Rights Commissioner, and as a volunteer tutor for illiterate adults. She has canvassed for the Heart Fund and Cancer Society and has been actively involved in community sports as a player, coach, and administrator.

Ms Calahasen is a long-standing member of the Metis Nation of Alberta, the World Congress on Education, the High Prairie Native Friendship Centre, the Alberta Teachers' Association, and the Metis Economic Development Board. She is one of the founding members of the University of Alberta Native Student Club.

Lethbridge-East

Dr. Ken Nicol (LIB)

Leader of the Official Opposition

Dr. Ken Nicol was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed Leader of the Official Opposition.

In addition to his role as MLA and Leader, Dr. Nicol also serves as the Critic Responsible for Finance, Critic Responsible for Revenue, and the Critic Responsible for Agriculture, Food and Rural Development.

Dr. Nicol was born May 3, 1944. He graduated from the University of Alberta with a Bachelor of Science degree (Agriculture) and a Master's of Science degree (Agriculture Economics). He also graduated from Iowa State University with a Ph.D in Economics.

Dr. Nicol's private-sector career included positions like Associate Professor of Agricultural Management at the University of Lethbridge, President of Nicol Management Services Ltd., Director of the Centre for Aboriginal Management Education, Advisor to the Ministry of Agriculture, Royal Thai Government Consultant to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and an Irrigated Farm Operator.

Dr. Nicol is an active member of his community. He has served as a member of the City of Lethbridge's Agriculture Committee, the Southern Alberta Water Management Committee, and the Lethbridge Big Brothers Association.

Dr. Nicol lives in Lethbridge with his wife, Linda. They have three children and five grandchildren.

Lethbridge-West

Hon. Clint Dunford (PC)

Minister of Human Resources and Employment

Clint Dunford was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Lethbridge-West on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently re-appointed Alberta's Minister of Human Resources and Employment, responsible for the Personnel Administration Office and Workers' Compensation Board. Mr. Dunford serves as a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Learning and Employment and the Government Reorganization Secretariat.

Since he was first elected to the Alberta Legislature in 1993, Mr. Dunford has also served as Minister of Advanced Education and Career Development and Minister responsible for Students Finance Board and Personnel Administration Office. He was first appointed Minister of Human Resources and Employment in May 1999.

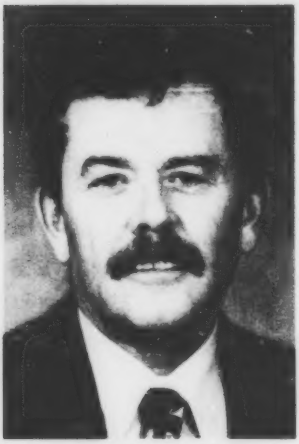
As Minister of Advanced Education and Career Development, Mr. Dunford has directed the transition of Alberta Vocational Colleges from departmental entities to autonomous, board-governed post secondary institutions; launched Youth Connections in Edmonton and Calgary, bringing new learning and employment opportunities to Albertans aged 16 to 24; and introduced the Alberta Opportunities Bursary, designed to assist high-needs students; and introduced Campus Alberta, a vision of post secondary collaboration to provide a seamless learning system across the province.

Mr. Dunford was raised in Portreeve, Saskatchewan. He holds a Bachelor of Economics degree from the University of Calgary. Before his MLA career, he was president and owner of CED Consulting Ltd. in Lethbridge.

Mr. Dunford has been involved with community groups like the Southern Alberta Junior Achievement Association, the United Way, the Lethbridge Chamber of Commerce, the Lethbridge International Air Show, Toastmasters International, and the Lethbridge Oldtimers Sports Association.

Mr. Dunford lives in Lethbridge with his wife, Gwen. He has one son, Ryan; three stepsons, Reg, Russ, and Dave; and two grandchildren.

Little Bow



Barry McFarland (PC)

Barry McFarland was elected to his fourth term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Little Bow on March 12, 2001. He is currently Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Agriculture and Municipal Affairs. He is also a member of the Standing Committee on Private Bills, the Legislative Review Committee, and the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services.

Prior to his election as an MLA, Mr. McFarland held a variety of municipal government responsibilities. He was elected to the County of Vulcan Council in 1977, and until 1992 he served at various times as Reeve, Councillor, School Trustee, Chair of the Board of Education, and as both a trustee and board Chair of the Little Bow Auxiliary Hospital.

He has also been involved in a number of municipal/agricultural committees, the Municipal Planning Commission, and he was a member of the Carmangay Seed Cleaning Plant Association.

Mr. McFarland was born in Carmangay, Alberta, on April 22, 1948. He is a graduate of the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology's (SAIT) Business Administration program.

Mr. McFarland's private-sector experience comes from his tenure in the retail credit area of Gulf Canada's head office operations.

His involvement with various community groups over the years includes work with the Carmangay Lion's Club; the Royal Canadian Legion, Barons Branch, Barons BPOE; Carmangay Curling Club; and the Vulcan Atletika Track Club.

Mr. McFarland and his wife, Mary, returned to Carmangay in 1972 where they have raised their four children. They continue to operate a dryland grain farm in the area.

Livingstone-Macleod

Hon. David Coutts (PC)

Minister of Government Services

David Coutts was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Livingstone-Macleod on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed Alberta's Minister of Government Services. Mr. Coutts also serves as a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Justice and Government Services.

Mr. Coutts was born and raised in the community of Fort Macleod. He has operated a full-service restaurant and volunteered in many capacities of municipal service. In 1998, as a result of his continuous community work in Fort Macleod and district, Mr. Coutts was named Citizen of the Year by the Chamber of Commerce. He has also been the recipient of Rotary International's prestigious Paul Harris Award.

Mr. Coutts' other community interests include serving as President of the Fort Macleod and District Chamber of Commerce, President of Fort Macleod's Dramatic Society and Curling Club, and Chair of Fort Macleod's Police Commission and Life Line Society. Mr. Coutts is a member of the Fort Macleod Historical Association, the Chinook Country Tourist Association, the Restaurant and Food Services Association, the Empress Theatre Society, the Great West Summer Theatre Committee, the Foodservices Advisory board, and the Lethbridge Community College board.

Mr. Coutts maintains an active membership in the Elks Lodge, Masonic Lodge, and Rotary Club of Fort Macleod.

Mr. Coutts and his wife, Phyllis, live in Fort Macleod.

Medicine Hat

Rob Renner (PC)

Rob Renner was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Medicine Hat on March 12, 2001. In addition to his regular duties as MLA, he is Chair of the Government Reorganization Secretariat and a member of the Standing Committee on Law and Regulations, Treasury Board, and of the Standing Policy Committee on Health and Community Living.

Rob Renner was born in Medicine Hat on October 6, 1954. He graduated from Medicine Hat High School in 1972 and then attended Medicine Hat College and the University of Calgary, graduating with a Bachelor of Commerce in 1976. Mr. Renner was also Vice-President of Finance of the Medicine Hat College Students' Association.

He joined the family retail florist business in 1976 and remained active in this venture until his election as an MLA in 1993. Mr. Renner was instrumental in founding the Medicine Hat Downtown Business Revitalization Zone Association and is a past chair of that organization.

He also is a past Director of the Medicine Hat Chamber of Commerce and has been a member of Medicine Hat's Rotary and Jaycee clubs.

Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills

Richard Marz (PC)

Richard Marz was elected to his second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills on March 12, 2001. He currently serves as Chair of the Employability Council and of the Farm Assessment and Taxation Committee. He is also a member of the Standing Committees on Public Accounts and the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund, as well as the Standing Policy Committee on Justice and Government Services.

In 1980 Mr. Marz was elected Councillor for the Municipal District of Kneehill, eventually serving as Deputy Reeve and finally Reeve.

Mr. Marz was born in Three Hills, Alberta, on April 30, 1944. He worked in the oil patch for 10 years before joining the Calgary Police Force in 1969.

Mr. Marz holds an active interest in community affairs and is involved with the Disabled Transportation Society, the Three Hills and District Seed Plant, the Trochu Gun Club, and the Three Hills Rodeo Committee. Over the years, he has been a member of the Didsbury Auxiliary Hospital board and the Three Hills Health Care Centre board. He was a founding member of the Provincial Health Council and chair of the Central Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties.

Mr. Marz has also dedicated time to the Boy Scouts of Canada and to serving as a minor league hockey coach.

Mr. Marz and his wife, Janis, have two children, Lavonne and Richard. He has operated a farm in the Three Hills area since 1966.

Peace River

Gary Friedel (PC)

Gary Friedel was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Peace River on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is Chair of the Northern Alberta Development Council, Chair of the Standing Committee on Law and Regulations, a member of the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices and of the Standing Policy Committee on Health and Community Living.

Before his election to the Alberta Legislature, Mr. Friedel was involved in muncipal government. In 1972 Mr. Friedel was elected as a Councillor for the Town of Peace River. In 1977 he was elected to the board of the Peace River School District No. 43 and served as Chair of the board. In 1980 he was elected as Mayor of the Town of Peace River, a position he held for six years.

Mr. Friedel was born in Fairview, Alberta, on October 30, 1942. He went to high school there and later worked towards a business administration diploma through Grande Prairie Regional College.

Mr. Friedel worked with the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce for five years before his venture into private business in retail furniture in Fairview. In 1967 he was asked to take on the position of the first full-time Secretary Treasurer for the St. Thomas More School District in Fairview. In 1969 he moved to Peace River, where he became the Secretary-Treasurer for the Peace River School Division. In 1976 he went back to private business and began Friedel Construction and Management Ltd., a company he successfully operated until entering provincial politics in 1993. His company specialized in design construction and expanded into management consulting.

Mr. Friedel has been very active in community affairs. He is a past Grand Knight and District Deputy of the Knights of Columbus, past President of the Peace River Construction Association, past President of the Peace River Progressive Conservative Association, past President of the Peace River Forestry Association and past District and Provincial President of the School Business officials of Alberta and Alberta Director of the Association of School Business Officials International.

In addition to this, he has belonged to the Peace River Kinsmen Club, the Peace River Fire Department, the Peace River Chamber of Commerce, the Peace River Regional Museum Society, the Fairview College Foundation Board, and many other volunteer community organizations.

Notable awards he has received include the Peace River Citizen of the Year award in 1981, a lifetime membership in the School Business Officials of Alberta, and an honourary lifetime membership in the Peace River Kinsmen Club.

Mr. Friedel lives in Peace River. His partner is Lorraine, and his three grown children are Joe, Dennis, and Linda.

Ponoka-Rimbey

Hon. Halvar Jonson (PC)

Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations

Halvar Jonson was elected to his sixth term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Ponoka-Rimbey on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations. He currently serves as a member of the Agenda and Priorities Committee and the Standing Policy Committee on Economic Development and Finance.

Since he was first elected to the Alberta Legislature, Mr. Jonson has served as Minister of Education, Minister of Health, and Minister of Environment.

Mr. Jonson was born August 14, 1941, in Athabasca, Alberta. He spent his childhood on a farm west of Boyle. He went on to attend the University of Alberta, where he completed a Bachelor of Education degree in 1963, a Master's of Education degree in 1967, and a graduate diploma in Educational Administration in 1971.

Mr. Jonson began his teaching career at Bentley High School, where he taught from 1963 to 1965. In 1966 he became principal of Crestomere School. He then moved to Ponoka Composite High School in 1969, where he served first as assistant principal and then as principal from 1980 to 1987. For the 1976-77 school year, Mr. Jonson was President of the Alberta Teachers' Association.

Mr. Jonson and his wife, Maxine, continue to be active in their home community of Ponoka. They have three children.

Red Deer-North

Mary Anne Jablonski (PC)

Mary Anne Jablonski was first elected Member of the Legislative Assembly for Red Deer-North in a by-election on September 25, 2000, and was re-elected in the 2001 provincial general election. In addition to her role as MLA, Mrs. Jablonski is Chair of the Youth Secretariat. She is also a member of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services, and the Standing Policy Committee on Health and Community Living.

Mrs. Jablonski was born and raised in St. Catharines, Ontario. She has three sisters and one brother. She was awarded a scholarship to attend Brock University, where she studied psychology and political science. Married since 1971, Mrs. Jablonski and her husband, Bob, have three grown children and one grandchild.

Mrs. Jablonski and her family moved to Alberta in 1980 when her husband was transferred to Penhold with the Canadian Forces. From 1982 to 1985, she helped to successfully lobby the Federal Government for a dental plan for the families of the Canadian Armed Forces and Royal Canadian Mounted Police as well as for the rights of spouses of military members.

Before entering politics, Mrs. Jablonski and her husband owned and operated a very successful fiberglass manufacturing company. They employed 18 people and manufactured various fiberglass projects, including a 70-foot dinosaur, waterslides, jet boats, and RV parts. Her work experience also includes seven years in the banking industry.

Mrs. Jablonski is an energetic and enthusiastic member of her community. She has been involved in various community groups, sporting associations, church boards, as well as the Catholic Women's League, Girl Guides of Canada, and the Chamber of Commerce. In 1999 as a member of the I.T.C. (formerly Toast Mistresses), Mrs. Jablonski won the international speech competition in Kobe, Japan.

In her free time, Mrs. Jablonski enjoys camping and hiking with her family.

Red Deer-South

Hon. Victor Doerksen (PC)

Minister of Innovation and Science

Victor Doerksen was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Red Deer-South on March 12, 2001. He was subsequently appointed Alberta's Minister of Innovation and Science and currently serves as Vice-Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Learning and Employment.

Since he was first elected in 1997, Mr. Doerksen has completed a few special projects in his role as MLA. He served on the implementation team on Accountability in Education, the Task Force on the Young Offenders Act, the Maintenance Enforcement and Access Committee, and the Task Force on Eye Care Services.

Victor P. Doerksen was born in Bassano on November 25, 1953, and grew up in Linden. In 1980 Mr. Doerksen became a certified general accountant (CGA), which complemented his previous education as a computer analyst/programmer. He also spent several years studying religion.

Mr. Doerksen has a commitment to ongoing education as evidenced by the completion of numerous courses and seminars both as a participant and as a leader. In 1998 the CGA Association honoured Mr. Doerksen with a fellowship award in recognition of his commitment of service to the community and to the association.

Mr. Doerksen's career began as a computer analyst/programmer, following which he served as a credit officer with the Federal Business Development Bank, and then as controller for a private business.

In 1982 Mr. Doerksen joined the Bank of Montreal. During his 12-year tenure with the bank he held positions in both line and staff roles, progressing rapidly into senior management responsibilities. As senior manager, he had tours of duty in Brandon and Winnipeg, Manitoba, and Edmonton and Red Deer.

Mr. Doerksen has always been active in community affairs, serving on United Way committees, housing committees, church boards, and coaching volleyball.

Mr. Doerksen lives in Red Deer with his wife, Doris, and together they have the privilege of raising four children.

Redwater

Dave Broda (PC)

Dave Broda was elected to his second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Redwater on March 12, 2001. He is currently a member of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services, and the Standing Policy Committee on Health and Community Living.

Mr. Broda was born in Waugh, Alberta, to Ukrainian immigrants Mike and Annie Broda. Prior to his election to the Legislature, Mr. Broda was the owner and operator of Choice-One Real Estate Ltd. He has also worked as an auction clerk for Prodaniuk Auction Services, a real estate salesman for Carriage Real Estate, a site co-ordinator for Delco Sheet Metal, and a chief mechanical draftsman for Angus Butler Engineering.

Mr. Broda has been an active member of his community, serving as a member of the Lakeland Regional Health Authority Board, the Redwater Town Council, the Redwater General Hospital Board, the Redwater Lions Club, the Redwater Chamber of Commerce, the Redwater Agricultural Society, the Redwater Multi-Sports Club, and the Redwater Fossil Hockey Club. He is a former treasurer of the Sturgeon Mutual Aid Plan and former president of the Ukrainian Catholic Church of Sts. Boris and Hlib, Redwater.

Mr. Broda lived in Edmonton and Legal before making Redwater his home in 1980. He and his wife have three grown daughters: Susan, Cindy, and Trina.

Rocky Mountain House

Hon. Ty Lund (PC)

Minister of Infrastructure

Ty Lund has been representing Albertans for more than two decades and has extensive experience at the local and provincial government levels. He was first elected to the Alberta Legislature in 1989. Mr. Lund was re-elected for a second term on June 15, 1993, for his third term on March 11, 1997 and, most recently, March 12, 2001 for his fourth term as a Member of the Legislative Assembly, representing the Rocky Mountain House constituency.

Infrastructure is Mr. Lund's third portfolio. He was appointed Minister of Environmental Protection on October 21, 1994 and was re-appointed to the same position on March 26, 1997. On May 26, 1999, he became the Minister of Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development. He was appointed the Minister of Infrastructure March 19, 2001.

Over the years, Mr. Lund's active involvment in municipal government included serving as a municipal Councillor, Reeve of the Municipal District of Clearwater, and a member of the provincial executive of the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts and Counties. With his firsthand knowledge of local government, he is very much aware of the importance of these groups to rural Albertans and their communities.

Ty Lund has a long history of community involvement. He has been a co-ordinator of the Civil Air Rescue Emergency Services (Canadian Air Rescue), treasurer of the Rocky Lutheran Church Parish, and a member of the Rocky Agriculture Society, the Rocky 4-H Club, the Rocky Mountain Kinsmen, and the Rocky Rotary Club.

Born in Rocky Mountain House March 31, 1938, he obtained his education in Alhambra, Rocky Mountain House, and Red Deer and is a third generation farmer on the family farm.

Sherwood Park

Hon. Iris Evans (PC)

Minister of Children's Services

Iris Evans was elected to her second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Sherwood Park on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently re-appointed Minister of Children's Services. She serves as a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Health and Community Living.

Ms Evans is the first Minister of Children's Services. In this portfolio she has worked in partnership with 18 child and family services authorities to provide community-based services to children and families; launched the Protection Against Family Violence Act; hosted Alberta's first Children's Forum and introduced its first Children's Week; and overseen the Great Kids Awards, a new award program that recognizes children and youth who make a difference at home and in the community. She is also Chair of the Task Force on Children at Risk.

Prior to her appointment as Minister of Children's Services, Ms Evans was Minister of Municipal Affairs. As Minister she focused on improving relationships with key stakeholders and building consensus by developing a new framework for registries to protect personal privacy, organizing a housing symposium and developing consumer protection for seniors, improving the property assessment system and resolving outstanding issues, leading the development of a new housing policy, and introducing new legislation including the Fair Trading Act and the Municipal Government Act.

Before she was elected as an MLA, Ms Evans served as a school board trustee and as a Councillor, then Reeve of Strathcona County.

Ms Evans was born December 31, 1941, in Calgary and lived in Stavely until 1960. She graduated with distinction as valedictorian of the 1963 Holy Cross Hospital nursing class and worked as a registered nurse for four years. She was also a piano instructor at the Regional Conservatory in Calgary.

Her volunteer pursuits have focused on the family and breast cancer research.

Ms Evans has three sons, Kevin, Trent, and Darren, and three daughters-in-law, Vivian, Laurel, and Lori. She also has five grandchildren: Justin, Jarret, Madison, Eric, and Ryan. She lives in Sherwood Park.

Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert

Doug Horner (PC)

Doug Horner was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of the Standing Committee on Law and Regulations, the Special Standing Committee on Members' Services, and the Standing Policy Committee on Justice and Government Services. He is also serving as Chair of the ICT Implementation Committee.

Douglas Alan Horner was born in Barrhead, Alberta, on January 17, 1961, to Jean and Dr. Hugh Horner, formerly the Deputy Premier of Alberta. He graduated from the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology (SAIT) with a Diploma in Business. He completed further studies and was professionally accredited at the Institute of Canadian Bankers.

Before he was elected to Alberta's Legislature, Mr. Horner was Director of Marketing and Finance for Agra Services of Canada, President of Timber Wolf Trading Co., International Sales Manager of Specialty Grains for Eonttgra Inc., an Associate of Guttman Trading, Partner and Director of Horner Bros. Inc., Partner of Horner Communications, Director of Marketing and Finance of Westglen Milling Inc., and Branch Administrator of the Royal Bank of Canada, Alberta.

Mr. Horner is an active member of his community. He is currently a member of the Spruce Grove and District Chamber of Commerce, the St. Albert-Parkland Rotary Club, the Canadian Legion, the St. Albert Toastmasters, and the Loyal Edmonton Regiment Association. He is a past member of the Lions Club, the Kinsmen Club, the Alberta Food Processors Association (Vice-Chair), and the Canadian Armed Forces Reserve.

Mr. Horner lives with his wife, Rose, in Cardiff, Sturgeon County, with their three children: Sean, Meghan, and Jackie.

St. Albert

Mary O'Neill (PC)

Mary O'Neill was elected to her second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for St. Albert on March 12, 2001. In addition to her regular duties as MLA, she is currently a member of the Standing Committee on Legislative Offices and Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Health and Community Living.

Mrs. O'Neill was born in Toronto on November 7, 1941. After earning a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Toronto and a Secondary Level teaching certification from the Ontario College of Education, she devoted 10 years to teaching high school in Guelph, Calgary, and her hometown of Toronto.

Mrs. O'Neill pursued postgraduate studies at Queen's University, the Ontario College of Art, the Banff School of Fine Art, and the universities of Guelph, Calgary, and Toronto.

Mrs. O'Neill is a past trustee and Chair of St. Albert School District No. 3, past President of the Alberta School Boards' Association for Bilingual Education, and a former member of the provincial government's Working Group on Francophone Education. She also served as a Director of the Newman Theological College Foundation, as an elected member of the University of Alberta Senate and as the Senate's Representative on the University's Board of Governors.

In 1991 Mrs. O'Neill turned her energies to real estate, working as a salesperson with Royal LePage Real Estate Services in St. Albert.

Over the years Mrs. O'Neill has contributed her energy and support to a number of charitable and community organizations. She served as a board member and committee chairperson for the Greater Edmonton Community Foundation and volunteered her time to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, the Alberta Heart and Stroke Foundation, the Special Olympics, and the Cancer Society.

Mrs. O'Neill and her husband, Jack, are active members of the St. Albert Parish, where she serves as a lay minister. They have two adult children, Timothy and Jacqueline.

Stony Plain

Hon. Stan Woloshyn (PC)

Minister of Seniors

Stan Woloshyn was elected to his fourth term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Stony Plain on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed Minister of the newly created Ministry of Seniors. He also serves as the Vice-Chair of the Standing Policy Committee on Health and Community Living.

Mr. Woloshyn was first elected MLA for Stony Plain in the 1989 provincial election. He has since served as Government Caucus Whip, Minister of Public Works, Supply and Services, and the Minister of Community Development.

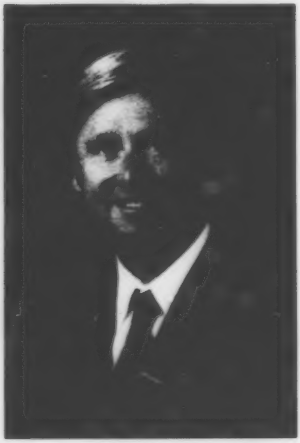
Born in Edmonton in 1939, Mr. Woloshyn was raised in Clymont. He graduated with a Bachelor of Education degree from the University of Alberta in 1969.

From 1969 to 1977 Mr. Woloshyn served as a teacher, department head, and principal at Memorial Composite High School in Stony Plain. From 1977 to 1989 he served as principal of Kitaskinaw School on the Enoch Indian reserve. His service to the County of Parkland was recognized by a 25-year, long-term service award.

Mr. Woloshyn has been an active member of his community. He is a certified hockey coach and referee and has acted as group committee chair for the Winterburn Cubs and Scouts Association. Mr. Woloshyn also helped establish the Enoch Daycare Association and has served as the president and negotiator for the Alberta Teachers' Association, Local #10.

Mr. Woloshyn lives in Clymont with his wife, Jeanette. The Woloshyns have one daughter and three sons.

Strathmore-Brooks



Hon. Dr. Lyle Oberg (PC)

Minister of Learning

Dr. Lyle Oberg was elected to his second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Strathmore-Brooks on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently re-appointed Minister of Learning. He is an active member of the Canadian Ministers of Education, having played significant roles such as leading Canada's delegation to an International Group of Eight (G8) Education Ministers' meeting.

In addition to his role as MLA and Minister of Learning, Dr. Oberg is also a member of Treasury Board and the Standing Policy Committee on Learning and Employment.

Dr. Oberg has also served as Minister of Family and Social Services since he was first elected as MLA for the Bow Valley constituency in 1993. In that role, he oversaw the move of children's services and services for persons with developmental disabilities to community-based delivery. He launched a western Canadian initiative to address Fetal Alcohol Syndrome (FAS) and implemented an interprovincial strategy to share resources and develop new and better approaches for addressing FAS. He played a key role in negotiating the National Children's Agenda and was a lead Minister on developing the Alberta Children's Agenda, the province's action plan for children. As a key part of this plan, he introduced the Alberta Child Health Benefit Program and played a key role in the development of the Protection of Children Involved in Prostitution Act. Dr. Oberg also led a significant initiative to enhance benefits for persons with severe disabilities and increased opportunities for these individuals to work or take part in the community.

Dr. Oberg has also served as Alberta's representative for the Ministerial Council on Social Policy Renewal, which worked to implement the social union framework agreement, an agreement of mutual respect of orders on social policy between the federal, provincial, and territorial governments. This framework clarified roles and responsibilities and has led to a more effective way of doing business between governments.

Dr. Oberg served as a school board trustee before he was elected to the Legislature.

Dr. Oberg was born in Forestburg, Alberta, where he completed high school before entering Red Deer College and taking pre-med. He graduated as a medical doctor in 1983 from the Faculty of Medicine at the University of Alberta.

Dr. Oberg is married to Evelyn and has two children, Jillian and Scott. He enjoys a range of sports including sailing, golfing, and hunting.

Vegreville-Viking

Hon. Ed Stelmach (PC)

Minister of Transportation

Ed Stelmach was elected to his third term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Vegreville-Viking on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed Minister of Transportation. His areas of responsibility include provincial highways, traffic safety, dangerous goods, public transportation, the Transportation Safety Board, and water management facilities. Mr. Stelmach is also a member of the Treasury Board.

Since he was first elected in 1993, Mr. Stelmach has served as Minister of Infrastructure and Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Development.

Mr. Stelmach has also served as Deputy Whip, Government Caucus Whip, and Chair of the Alberta Agricultural Research Institute. He also has been a member of the Agenda and Priorities Committee and the Standing Policy Committees on Agriculture and Rural Development, Health Planning, Community Services and Health Restructuring.

Mr. Stelmach has a long record of public and community service. He is a past Lamont County Reeve, school trustee, Chair of the Vegreville Health Unit board, and member of the Archer Memorial Hospital and Lamont Auxiliary Hospital and Nursing Home boards. Mr. Stelmach also served as a Director for the Andrew Co-op Association, President of the Lamont District 4-H Council, and leader for the Andrew 4-H Beef Club.

He and his wife, Marie, raised four children and operate a mixed farm south of Andrew on the homestead originally settled by his grandfather in 1898.

Vermilion-Lloydminster

Lloyd Snelgrove (PC)

Lloyd Snelgrove was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Vermilion-Lloydminster on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of Standing Committees on Law and Regulations and Private Bills and the Standing Policy Committee on Agriculture and Municipal Affairs. He is also serving as Chair of the Lottery Fund Committee and Vice-Chair of the Health Facilities Review Committee.

Before his entry into provincial politics, Mr. Snelgrove served two terms on Vermilion's town council.

Mr. Snelgrove was born March 27, 1956, in Vermilion. He graduated from J.R. Robson High School and obtained occupational related training in the areas of petroleum tank management and water and sewage installation and inspection.

Mr. Snelgrove spent 25 years working for his family's construction company, R. Snelgrove and Sons. He has also worked as the Vice-President of Snelgrove Farms, the President of a campground located in Vermilion's provincial park, the President of a development company, the Director of Valley Holdings, and the Director of Vermilion's Super 8 Hotel.

An active member of his community, Mr. Snelgrove has volunteered for a number of organizations, including the Vermilion Health Unit, the Alberta Senior Games 1988, the Vermilion Agricultural Society, Vermilion Rotary, Vermilion and District Chamber of Commerce, the Lakeland College Board of Governors, the Vermilion Golf Club Board of Directors, and the Vermilion Recreation and Culture Board of Directors.

Mr. Snelgrove and his wife, Beverly, live in Vermilion. They have four children: Craig, James, Kyle, and Blake.

Wainwright

Robert Fischer (PC)

Robert "Butch" Fischer was elected to his sixth term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Wainwright on March 12, 2001, and was subsequently appointed Chair of the Agricultural Research Institute. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing and the Standing Committee on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund. He is also a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Agriculture and Municipal Affairs and of the Committee on Lifelong Learning.

Since Mr. Fischer was first elected in 1982, he has served as Minister of Public Works, Supply and Services, and Minister of Transportation and Utilities, and as Legislative secretary to the Premier, responsible for tourism.

Mr. Fischer has served on Syncrude's board of directors and is currently the government's representative on Edmonton Northlands' board of directors.

Mr. Fischer was born, raised, and educated in Irma, Alberta. He has owned and operated Pleasant View Farms Limited since 1957 and has also worked for the Department of Highways.

Mr. Fischer's community involvement has included serving as President of the Irma Golf Club, Director of the Irma Agricultural Society, chair of the United Church Board, and a member of the Elks. Mr. Fischer has also been involved in sports, coaching minor hockey, and playing on a local recreational team.

Mr. Fischer and his wife, Marian, have five children and 18 grandchildren.

West Yellowhead

Ivan Strang (PC)

Ivan Strang was elected to his second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for West Yellowhead on March 12, 2001. He currently serves as Chair of the Standing Committee on Public Affairs, Chair of the Rural Caucus, and is a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Agriculture and Municipal Affairs.

In 1986 Mr. Strang was elected to serve on the Edson Town Council. In 1989 he was elected Edson's Mayor, a position he held until he resigned in 1997 to seek election to the Legislature.

During his tenure as Mayor, Mr. Strang worked to help establish a Native Interpretive Trail system and was instrumental in establishing a 20-year infrastructure replacement plan for the town. He was also involved with the Evergreen Tourism Association, the Tourism Industry Association of Alberta, the Alberta Tourism Partnership Corporation, the Edson Economic Development Committee, the Association of Coal Mining Municipalities of Western Canada, the Forest Based Communities in Alberta, the West Yellowhead Community Futures Development Corporation, the Yellowhead Highway Association, and the Northern Alberta Mayors' Caucus.

Ivan James Strang was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba on June 1, 1940. His family later moved to Hay River, Northwest Territories, where he completed his high school education.

Mr. Strang worked for Federal Public Works and the Giant Yellowknife Mine prior to moving to Edmonton in 1967 to begin a 27-year career in the tire business. He worked with Firestone Tire, Crown Tire Service Ltd., and R. Angus Tire Services Ltd. before opening the Edson-based Tamarack Tire Services Ltd. He operated Tamarack Tire for 18 years before selling it in 1994. He served as chair of the Goodyear Dealers council from 1982 to 1984.

Mr. Strang is a member of the Edson and District Chamber of Commerce. He served on the board and as the Chamber's President. In 1984 he received the Alberta Small Business Award.

Mr. Strang has two daughters and six grandchildren. He lives in Edson with his wife, Tammy.

Wetaskiwin-Camrose

LeRoy Johnson (PC)

LeRoy Johnson was elected to his second term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Wetaskiwin-Camrose on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is Deputy Chair of the Standing Committee on Privileges and Elections, Standing Orders and Printing, a member of the Standing Committee on Private Bills, and a member of the Standing Policy Committee on Energy and Sustainable Development.

Prior to his entry into provincial politics, Mr. Johnson was active in municipal government. For six years he served as an Alderman for the City of Camrose. During that time he chaired the Finance and Personnel Committee and served on numerous other committees including Family and Community Support Services and Parks and Tourism. Mr. Johnson also served for six years on the City of Camrose Public School Board, including four years as chairman.

LeRoy David Johnson was born in Camrose, Alberta, on March 5, 1941. He attended Augustana University College in Camrose, then the University of Calgary before receiving his Bachelor of Education degree from the University of Alberta. He holds a Master's of Education degree from the University of Montana.

Mr. Johnson started his career as a teacher in Rosalind before becoming Vice-Principal in Round Hill. In 1967 he was appointed High School Principal at Augustana University College, where he worked to help the institution develop from a high school to a degree-granting institution. During his 30 years with the College he worked in various capacities including Registrar, Director of Admissions, Director of Public Relations, Director of Athletics, International Affairs Director, Instructor in Biology and Chemistry, and Associate Professor of Education.

Mr. Johnson also has been active in sports development and cultural exchange for young, elite athletes worldwide. In 1996 he was a founding member of the Camrose Sport Development Society, which brought Jr. A Hockey to Camrose. Mr. Johnson is an active member of Messiah Lutheran Church and a past member of the Rotary Club of Camrose.

Mr. Johnson has received a number of notable awards, including the Premier Lougheed Alberta Achievement Award (1975); the Augustana University College Distinguished Alumnus Award (1975); the Chamber of Commerce Achievement Award for Sports & Culture (1988); the Camrose Rotary Integrity Award (1992); and the CFRN TV Sports Award of Excellence (1996).

Mr. Johnson and his wife, Dianne, are the parents of four children, Jeffrey, Dale, Lana, and Beth, and the grandparents of Jamieson and Thomas.

Whitecourt-Ste. Anne

George VanderBurg (PC)

George VanderBurg was elected to his first term as Member of the Legislative Assembly for Whitecourt-Ste. Anne on March 12, 2001. In addition to his role as MLA, he is a member of Standing Committees on the Alberta Heritage Savings Trust Fund and Private Bills as well as the Standing Policy Committee on Agriculture and Municipal Affairs.

For the past 15 years municipal politics have been Mr. VanderBurg's primary focus. He served as the Mayor of Whitecourt for almost nine years and spent six as a town councillor.

Mr. VanderBurg was born February 15, 1957, in Edson and has lived in the Whitecourt area all of his life. He graduated from Whitecourt's Hilltop High School and studied at the Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT).

Mr. VanderBurg ran his own welding oilfield service business until 1983, when he ventured into retail business. He has been an active member of Whitecourt's downtown business core ever since.

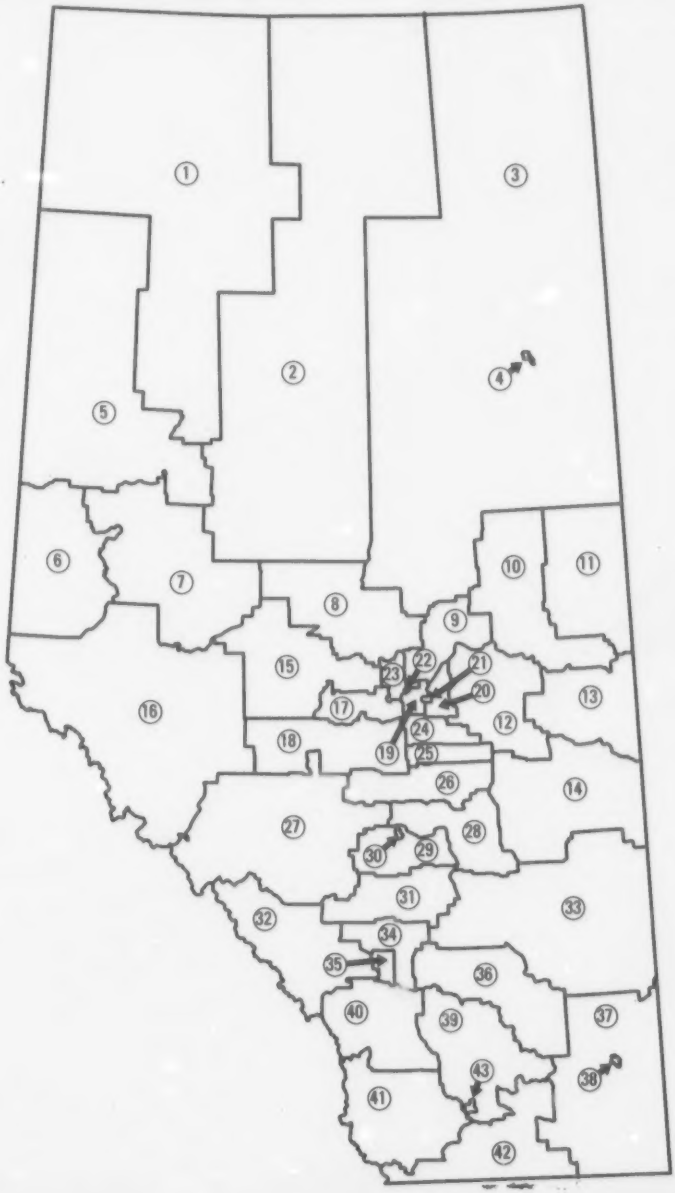
He was President of the Whitecourt Chamber of Commerce and was the recipient of the Chamber of Commerce president's award. Mr. VanderBurg has also been named Whitecourt's citizen of the year and been awarded the Alberta Chamber of Commerce small business of the year award.

Mr. VanderBurg and his wife, Liz, have been married for 25 years and live in Whitecourt. Their sons, Jake and Kris, are recent graduates of the University of Alberta.

Map 1 & Legend

① Peace River
② Lesser Slave Lake
③ Athabasca-Wabasca
④ Fort McMurray
⑤ Dunvegan
⑥ Grande Prairie-Wapiti
⑦ Grande Prairie-Smoky
⑧ Barrhead-Westlock
⑨ Redwater
⑩ Lac La Biche-St.Paul
⑪ Bonnyville-Cold Lake
⑫ Vegreville-Viking
⑬ Vermilion-Lloydminster
⑭ Wainwright
⑮ Whitecourt-Ste. Anne
⑯ West Yellowhead
⑰ Stony Plain
⑱ Drayton Valley-Calmar
⑲ Edmonton
⑳ Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan
㉑ Sherwood Park
㉒ St. Albert
㉓ Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St.Albert
㉔ Leduc
㉕ Wetaskiwin-Camrose
㉖ Ponoka-Rimbey
㉗ Rocky Mountain House
㉘ Lacombe-Stettler
㉙ Innisfail-Sylvan Lake
㉚ Red Deer- A (Red Deer-North)
B (Red Deer-South)
㉛ Olds-Didsbury-Three Hills
㉜ Banff-Cochrane
㉝ Drumheller-Chinook
㉞ Airdrie-Rocky View
㉟ Calgary
㊱ Strathmore-Brooks
㊲ Cypress-Medicine Hat
㊳ Medicine Hat
㊴ Little Bow
㊵ Highwood
㊶ Livingstone-Macleod
㊷ Cardston-Taber-Warner
㊸ Lethbridge

Alberta Electoral Divisions



Map 2 & Legend

① Spruce Grove-Sturgeon-St. Albert
② St. Albert
③ Redwater
④ Edmonton-Manning
⑤ Edmonton-Castle Downs
⑥ Edmonton-Glengarry
⑦ Clover Bar-Fort Saskatchewan
⑧ Edmonton-Calder
⑨ Edmonton-Norwood
⑩ Edmonton-Highlands
⑪ Edmonton-Beverly-Clareview
⑫ Edmonton-Meadowlark
⑬ Edmonton-Glenora
⑭ Edmonton-Centre
⑮ Edmonton-Riverview
⑯ Edmonton-Strathcona
⑰ Edmonton-Gold Bar
⑱ Sherwood Park
⑲ Stony Plain
⑳ Edmonton-McClung
㉑ Edmonton-Whitemud
㉒ Edmonton-Rutherford
㉓ Edmonton-Mill Woods
㉔ Edmonton-Mill Creek
㉕ Clover Bar-Fort Saskachewan
㉖ Edmonton-Ellerslie
㉗ Leduc

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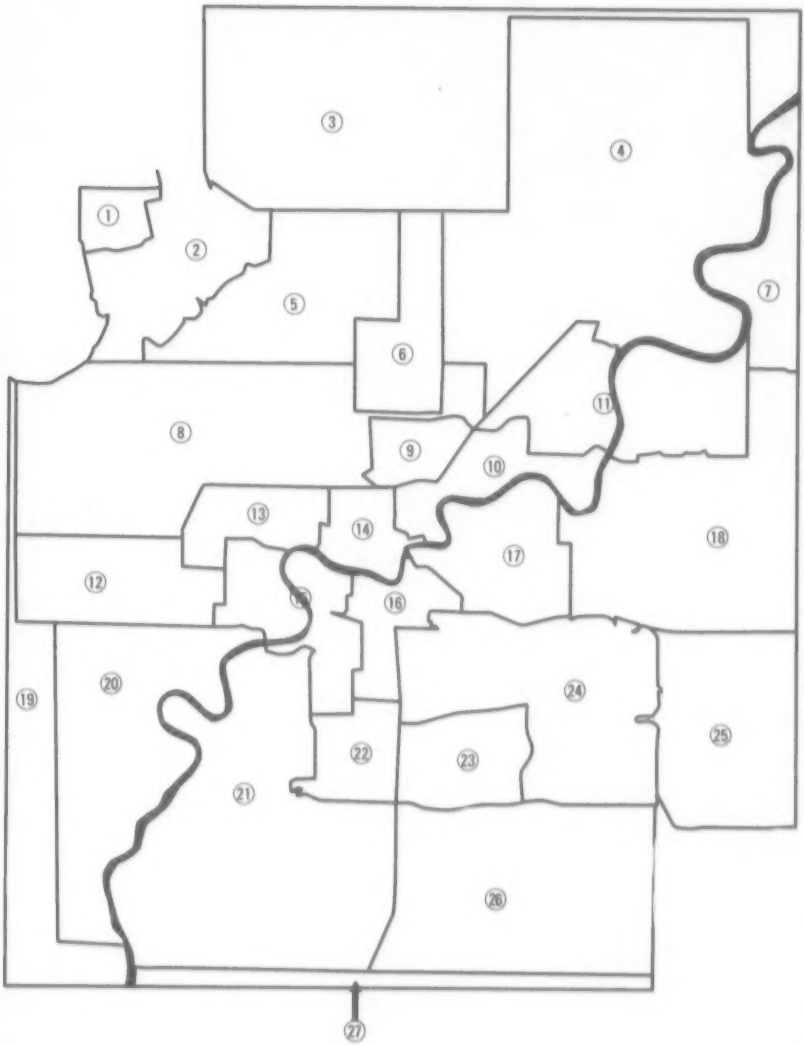

Map 3 & Legend

1. Aidrie-Rocky View
2. Calgary-North West
3. Calgary-Foothills
4. Calgary-Nose Creek
5. Calgary-McCall
6. Calgary-Bow
7. Calgary-Varsity
8. Calgary-North Hill
9. Calgary-Cross
10. Calgary-West
11. Calgary-Currie
12. Calgary-Buffalo
13. Calgary-Mountain View
14. Calgary-East
15. Calgary-Montrose
16. Calgary-Elbow
17. Calgary-Fort
18. Banff-Cochrane
19. Calgary-Glenmore
20. Calgary-Egmont
21. Calgary-Shaw
22. Calgary-Lougheed
23. Calgary-Fish Creek
24. Highwood

Calgary Electoral Divisions